

The Lions Club of Windsor

TIME IS RUNNING OUT TO BOOK FOR WINDSOR LION'S FREE PROSTATE CANCER SCREENING EVENT

Saturday 26th April - less than 3 weeks away - sees the staging of Windsor Lions' latest Prostate Cancer Screening event at Ascot Racecourse. With newspaper headlines this week 'Nine out of 10 GPs for prostate screening programme', the local Community Services Group are right on the money with their latest initiative. This important event in the Lions' calendar offers men between 40 and 75 the opportunity to book a FREE PSA blood test to check for signs of Prostate Cancer or other related problems.

The importance of such checks was highlighted at their last event in 2023 when over 1000 men were tested in one day - and of those, nine previously undiagnosed cases of Cancer were detected. One of those men - who asked us to share his story - was John.

John emailed the event co-ordinator, Diane Purchase, after the last event saying 'Can I say a big thank you for organising the prostate cancer event. I saw it advertised at Wexham Park Hospital and decided to book a place. My result was abnormal and I now have a positive diagnosis which can be easily rectified by surgery. Without your event I would be unaware of this so thank you so very much. I am now badgering people to get tested!'

John has recently reported again to Diane 'I have now had surgery and they have removed the prostate and hopefully all the cancer...Thanks again to you and the Lions as without your event it would still be silently growing inside of me'

Talking about the event Diane Purchase commented: 'Stories like John's are why we are so passionate about this event. Uncovering just one case like this makes it all worthwhile and we are very grateful to John for sharing this powerful story and encouraging other men to get tested. This is why we are staging another event at Ascot Racecourse on 26th April. We couldn't do it without the help of many of our supporters: The Shanly Foundation, Savills Estate Agents in Windsor and Sunningdale, Grndon, The Berkshire Community Foundation and Ascot Fire Brigade Trust and Centrica. We feel it is very important to make this a Free event so that all men can access it (although donations are always welcome!) and without their help, this would not be possible.'

There are still some spaces left but please book up soon as they are going fast. Go to www.windsorlions.co.uk/prostate-cancer.