



Minutes of meeting Monday 23rd January 2006

Present

Alistair Scott, Nigel Hammond, Viv Ryan, Neil Griffiths and Mark Hibble

Funds

Mark gave Viv cheque for £75 from Abbotts Laboratories towards last SwimParty, and Viv gave cheque to Mark for £145, covering last Swim Party and deposit for the next.

Swim Party

Following the success of the last, another has been booked for **Saturday 3rd June 2006**, 18 00 – 20 00 at the Middleton Pool, Newport Pagnell. Toby Hibble to send flyer with details. Sarah to get out begging-bowl to her contact, but if anyone else has contacts that can sponsor these events, please let us know.

XMAS Party

Another great success. There will be photos on the website showing lots of happy faces! Big thank you to the many who helped to organise in particular, Viv and her Mum, Chris and Ruth, Clever Trevor and of course Father Christmas. Chris has booked the hall for XMAS 2006-01-24

Award Nomination

Our very own Nigel Hammond, on behalf of MK Kids, has been nominated and short listed for a LifeScan 'In-Touch Award' for making a difference to Diabetics. The ceremony is 1st Feb in London - so fingers crossed.

Swimathon

Bletchley Lions have organised a Swimathon. This is a good fundraiser and we need teams to compete. Nigel will email details soonest.

Gulliver's Land Charity Day

Neil will apply for tickets for this annual event

Sponsorship

Discussed the offer from Kylie Finch's Tortoise Properties Services of sponsorship. This will be discussed with Diabetes UK, and Nigel to reply with outcome.

Neonatal Diabetes

Discussed the article from the recent Balance publication about Neonatal Diabetes. The article outlined some interesting cases where very young children had been misdiagnosed as type 1 diabetes – when in fact they had a special form of neonatal diabetes that could be controlled with tablets(similar to Type 2). This rare condition only relates to some children who became diabetic within 6 months of birth. Nigel will do some digging and advise.

AOB

Nigel has taken a photo of the drawings the children coloured-in at the Christmas Party. The photo will appear on our web site. Nigel and Dawn will send the drawings to the Chief Executive at Milton Keynes Hospital to remind her that the bid for another paediatric diabetes nurse must succeed.