

CAPTAIN'S CHARITY



On 3rd October Captain Lynn Mercer presented, on behalf of Kent Captains, a cheque for £1,000 to the charity Hypo Hounds based in Smarden, Kent. This sum was made up from the Captain's charity allowance from the Society together with the proceeds of the silent auction on Captain's Day and another donation.

Founded in 2016, Hypo Hounds is a small charity whose main object is the provision of trained Diabetic Alert Dogs for children and some adults with severe diabetes control problems. Their main activities are in the south east of England, particularly Kent. The dogs are trained to alert the person themselves, or more importantly with children, their family, by detecting specific emissions in the patients breath and/or on their body indicating a pending hypoglycaemic episode.

Hypo Hounds' primary focus is on children and the first photograph shows Joseph, a three year old beneficiary of the charity, together with his faithful hound "Woody".



Lynn presented the cheque to founder and CEO of the charity, Jane Pearman, in the company of "Puppy Fosterer" Kim Sibley a past ladies' captain at Lamberhurst GC.

Our Past President and charity organiser William Albery accompanied Lynn at the presentation and used his extensive photography skills to capture the occasion – the photo shows (L-R) Kim, Lynn and Jane with "Doreen" a trainee alert dog.

The donation from our Society was warmly and gratefully received.