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Welcome To this Summer edition of your quarterly Newsletter

It is some time since I wrote an Editorial and no doubt many of you will have enjoyed - and in some cases - continue to enjoy - this exceptional weather we are making the most of. Both Val and I and of course - Daisy 2 - our Motorhome - have been far and wide to the South and West of the UK as well as over the water for a short stay in Brittany, France.

Much activity has taken place amongst the IA world over the past few months since we held the AGM in May. News of this inside. We also have news inside of a further Membership Meeting / Gettogether to be held in the North of our Region in October this year. I mentioned in your last Newsletter that we would be seeking to hold these such meeting over different parts of our Membership area - so that we can, hopefully, accommodate more members at meetings without too much travel involved. Also - we felt we should look at areas both North and South of our regions as well as our meetings held at Salford Royal Hospital. Public Transport and in particular - The Metrolink - has brought the outer regions of our Membership area much closer - so we hope more members will take advantage of your Secretary's efforts to set up these new venues.

A number of New Members have joined us this current year and we warmly welcome them from Bolton, Hyde, Formby, Prestwich, Kearsley, Sale, Wythenshawe, Macclesfield, Rochdale and Bury . Each new member not only receives a 'Welcome' letter from the IA Head Office, but also, your Secretary Val, sends out our 'Welcome' pack from Manchester IA. Sadly we have also lost a number of Members and our thoughts - and our commiserations, were sent to their families.

In this edition I have included a descriptive few paragraphs on the workings of your Treasurer - (me!) - and how our small picture fits in to the overall Charities Commission requirements and those of your National Treasury - at The National Council in Northern Ireland.

Meantime - for those on the 'Net' -keep up to date with happenings - on the website

www.ia-manchester.com

Chris Ainsworth - Chairman

A NOTE FOR YOUR DIARY

We are pleased to announce an

I A Manchester October Meeting

19th, October 2013

Commencing at 10.30 am

at

Bury Unitarian Church Hall

1 Bank Street - (off Silver Street)

Bury Lancashire BL9 0DN.

A 2 minute walk from the INTERCHANGE Tram/Bus station.

Car parking is available as follows:

Disabled bays at the Unitarian Church (limited Spaces)

Also on Bolton Street, £4-00 - 5 minutes away

Appliance Manufacturers /Distributors will be in attendance with Guest Speakers

A Buffet lunch is being arranged and the event will be closing at approximately 1 pm

If you would like to attend Please inform your Secretary by email/letter or phone -on the contact numbers given below of the numbers in your party

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**I couldn't resist
this!**

Ed.

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Visit our site for links to your Stoma Care Teams and their clinics by clicking on **LINKS** on the **HOME** page and clicking on [b] Stoma Hospitals, and if you click on the Hospital/Clinic name, it will open the **WEB** site page for that hospital/Clinic.

Many of our Members attended the AGM in May this year which proved to be one of our best meetings with many Suppliers and a guest Speaker from Salford 's Dietary Nursing Staff. As I mentioned we are seeking alternative venues for the future and I am grateful for those Members whose suggestions we have been following up. We will, however, continue to use Salford Royal Trust Hospital's Mayo Centre for our AGMs. Val and I have also attended a number of Open Days sponsored by Individual Stoma Appliance Suppliers such as Salts and Pelican - and where possible we attempt to notify Members in the areas of these Open days of their occurrence. We continue to support our Manufacturers and Suppliers and their displays of new and innovative advancements in Appliances.

Please try to attend our next Open Day at Bury - news of which appears elsewhere

RADAR - The Independent access to disabled people to around 7,000 locked public toilets - All Ostomates are entitled to a key which may be obtained free via your local Council -or by contacting RADAR - The National Key Scheme (N K S) or your

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The Workings of The Treasury

Being a Treasurer

Being the treasurer of a local Charitable Organisation is a significant responsibility. Even the smallest organisation can have financial red tape - particularly when you realise that even not-for-profit organisations are subject to the Rules and Conditions laid by Government Organisations - in this case The Charities Commission. Although we are a part of a much larger Organisation -Nationally -(The IA) - our Membership Organisation Funding and Control of such accounts are managed and run as an autonomous, or self-contained , Organisation; as are all the MO's of The Ileostomy Association - as well as maintaining contact with our National Treasurer for help/advice and assistance.

A methodical approach to record-keeping is essential. Using computerised accounting methods I am able to control income (Subscriptions & Donations, etc) and expenditure -(Day-to-day running costs/postage/travel ex's/Stationery.) as well as maintaining viable and cost-effective use of our current available funds. Such accounting procedures and practices are subject to Audit / Balance Procedures and Submission to both the Charities Commission and to Central Office (IA) Treasurer - and - as such are open to both scrutiny and appraisal by all members at AGM's etc.

Finally, we are a Charitable Funding organisation for IA-related services and we have a duty to provide a beneficial service to our members. If you can help and would like to become a Committee Member - or if you know of a worthy charitable cause - please let myself, or Val your secretary know.

Chris