

# SMN NEWSLETTER

*Scottish Mesothelioma Network*



## Spotlight on CNS role: Jenn Latham (Highlands)

An integral part of the Scottish Mesothelioma Network, Jenn is a passionate advocate for people affected by mesothelioma throughout the Highlands of Scotland. In this [interview with Mesothelioma UK](#), who she joined in 2019, she talks about the challenges presented by working over a large geographical area as well as the most rewarding aspects of her job.



### QPI update

The Scottish Mesothelioma Network recently held a QPI update meeting to review current SMN QPIs, to identify any areas where targets are not met and to implement any changes to existing QPIs.

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There were a couple of tweaks to existing QPIs and QPI 7 Clinical Trial and Research Study Access has been removed as this measure will be replaced by a suite of measures reported via the National Clinical Trials Resilience Group. The updated QPI information will be available soon.

## Asbestos Action Tayside

On 7th September 2022 Action on Asbestos Tayside held their 20th Anniversary conference which was packed with informative presentations and inspirational patient stories which celebrated Action Asbestos Tayside's contribution in supporting victims of asbestos related illnesses. Our Director Professor Kevin Blyth shared his insight of mesothelioma in Scotland.

Susan Smyth (Tayside Mesothelioma CNS) talked about the role of a Mesothelioma CNS and how they support patients and their families.



## Fundraising

The Scottish Kiltwalk took place on 18th September 2022 and raised an incredible 2.137 million for 500 Scottish charities.

We're especially proud of Lynne Hunter (Lothian Pleural CNS) who raised £1477.50 for Mesothelioma UK and the Tayside Respiratory team who included Eve Crosby, Morven Wilkie, Hazel Mudie, Jackie Lynn, Richard Stretton, Darragh Stretton, and Adele Murray for completing the Kiltwalk and raising funds for Mesothelioma UK and The Roy Castle Lung Cancer Foundation - **WELL DONE EVERYONE!**

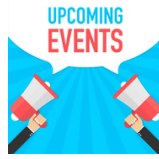
### Lynne Hunter with her daughter and friends



### Tayside Respiratory Team



## Hold the Date!



We're delighted to announce our next Scottish Mesothelioma Network Education Event is booked for **Thursday 1st June 2023**.

This is an in-person event being held in 1599 @ Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow. More details to follow in the next newsletter...

## Dates for the Diary

Please note these important dates for your diary. Click on the links for more information:

[BTOG - 21st Annual Conference 26-28 April 2023](#)

[Meso UK Ladies Lunch - 8 March 2023](#)

[ERS - Portugal 9-12 March 2023](#)

[BTS - summer meeting 2023 22-23 June 2023](#)

[16th International iMig Conference - 26-28 June 2023 - Lille, France](#)

[ERS international Congress - 9-13 September 2023 - Milan, Italy](#)

## Support Group

The Scottish Mesothelioma Network patient and carer support group, facilitated by Maggie's Highland continues on the first Friday of each month.

This group is for people with mesothelioma and their loved ones/carers. This is a Scotland wide group and is supported by a Mesothelioma CNS and a Maggie's Cancer Support Specialist. To book a place and get the link or for more information, please give Maggie's Highland a call on 01463 706 306 or email them at

[highlands@maggiescentre.org](mailto:highlands@maggiescentre.org)

## Website/Social Media

Don't forget to check out our website and twitter for all the latest SMN updates and events!

[Home - Scottish Mesothelioma Network - scottish mesothelioma network](#)

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## Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year

Finally we would like to wish all our colleagues, patients and families a very Merry Christmas and best wishes for 2023!

