

# Good causes receive thousands thanks to club fundraising

**Michael Honeybun, principal officer of the Royal Antediluvian Order of Buffaloes (RAOB), in Gosport, reveals who benefited from their cash**

THE Gosport and District Provincial Grand Lodge of the Royal Antediluvian Order of Buffaloes (Buffs) held its annual dinner/dance at Thorngate Ballroom.

A total of 140 members and guests enjoyed a four-course dinner with entertainment from Norman Wisdom look-alike Glenn Ford and singer Ricky Zalez.

Fundraising for 2013 reached the grand sum of £5,000. Cheques for £1,500 were presented to each of my three chosen charities.

Lesley and Keith Lewis received the money on behalf of Friends of PICU (Paediatric Intensive Care Unit) Southampton Hospital.

Rosemarie and Allan Norman accepted the cheque on behalf of Hampshire and IOW Air Ambulance.

And Judy and Lionel

## RAOB



### GOOD CAUSE

The National Coastwatch Institution at Gosport will benefit from RAOB fundraising this year

Jeffery were presented the money on behalf of the RAOB Wessex Holiday Scheme. Founded by members of the RAOB, the scheme provides much-needed holidays and trips for families and children less fortunate living in the Wessex area.

One of the aims of the Buffs is to help its members in time of difficulty or need, so the remaining £500 is to be used for just that purpose.

The principal officer for 2014 Dave Eaves announced

the charities he wishes to support this year.

The first is the Neonatal Special Care Baby Unit at Queen Alexander Hospital in Portsmouth. This unit provides care for newborn babies, usually very premature, and their families.

The second is Sam's Haven - a new charity which aims to provide short holidays at a Haven Holiday Park, for life-threatening or terminally-ill children and their families.

The Joe Glover Trust - a

children's cancer charity - stands to benefit from the fundraising.

And the National Coastwatch Institution (NCI) will also receive its charitable funds.

This is a voluntary organisation set up in 1994 to restore a visual watch along UK shores after many small Coastguard stations closed and relies solely upon voluntary contributions.

Contact the RAOB Club at 33 Stoke Road, Gosport.