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- Yeatman Hospital Birthday party is an outstanding success
- 120 Yeatman mothers and babies say thank you to the Hospital and the Friends
- A family affair – 92 year old former Yeatman Nurse and daughter who was born there.
- Birthday girl Peggy Poole celebrated her 80th birthday at Friends of the Yeatman party

More than 120 mothers and their babies, born at The Yeatman Hospital before 1986, met to celebrate and thank the Hospital Staff in Sherborne last Saturday September 21, 2019. 125 birthday guests attended, aged from 91 to 36, who either gave birth or were born at the hospital including Sherborne Mayor, Cllr. Jon Andrews.

Arranged by the Friends of the Yeatman Hospital the party became a real family affair with first and second generations joining in the celebrations.

Guests included 92 year old Jean Luffman, the oldest party-goer, who was a nurse at the Yeatman, together with her daughter who was born there.

Then there was Peggy Poole who celebrated her 80th birthday at the event. Mrs Poole came with her sister and her two daughters who were also born at the Yeatman. The youngest Yeatman baby present was Sacha Pascal who was born in 1986.

In his welcoming remarks David Hayes, Chairman of the Friends of Yeatman said;

“There are two great days in a person’s life, the day we are born and the day we discover why. As Yeatman babies here this evening, you have returned to your place of origin, hopefully you are enjoying your life’s journey.

“Being the mother of a Yeatman babe, you would not have been able to enjoy those facets of both birth and living a full life without the professional expertise and dedication of our medical profession.



“On behalf of my colleagues at the Friends of the Yeatman, I am pleased to say we are proud of history of excellent clinical care provided by the doctors and nursing staff at the Yeatman, who for you present tonight, provided the most timely, essential clinical care for a successful delivery.

“It is essential I say thank you to Waitrose and Oxford’s Bakery whose support in providing the wines and birthday cakes for tonight’s celebration have been invaluable.

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NOTES TO EDITORS

The Friends of Yeatman Hospital is a UK registered charity whose main aims are

- To provide funds to support additional facilities and equipment to contribute to the efficient running of the hospital;
- To work for the comfort and dignity of the patients;
- To encourage and foster public support of the hospital.

Further information

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