

Event:	Celebrity Sports Evening
Date:	Friday 16 th May 2008
TIME:	7.30pm
Location:	Walkers Stadium

Sports Celebrities put on an amazing evening of entertainment to support the LOROS Appeal for eleven new single patient rooms.

Martin Johnson, Gary McAllister (subject to Leeds United reaching the play-off finals), Steve Walsh, Ali Mauchlen and Alan Birchenall are supporting LOROS by putting on a Celebrity Sports Evening on 16th May 2008 at the Walkers Stadium.

Ali Mauchlen, new LOROS Patron, has organised the event in the form of a Question and Answers Session and wanted funds to be raised from the evening to go towards the appeal LOROS currently have for eleven new single patient rooms. Ali said "LOROS is an amazing local charity and I am honoured to be its first Patron. Feedback from patients and their families has resulted in LOROS raising money to build eleven new single patient rooms to provide privacy and choice of care for patients. I want to be part of this exciting development to further enhance patient care. Martin, Gary, Steve and Alan are also delighted to be helping LOROS turn their plan into reality."

Tickets are £50 each, or £450 for a table of ten, and include a three course meal. The evening starts at 7.30pm prompt and bookings can be made through LOROS Fundraising on 0116 2318431 or by e-mailing fundraising@loros.co.uk.

Diane Morris, Fundraising Manager at LOROS, said "I am thrilled that such prestigious sports stars as Martin Johnson, Gary McAllister, Steve Walsh, Ali Mauchlen and Alan Birchenall are supporting LOROS in raising funds for our appeal. I am extremely grateful that they are so generously giving their time in what, I am sure, will be, a most entertaining evening."

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Editors notes:

LOROS, the Leicestershire and Rutland Hospice, is a charity whose aim is to enhance the quality of life of patients with Cancer, progressive neurological conditions and end stage Heart, Renal and Respiratory failure for whom curative treatment is no longer possible.

Over 2,250 patients access our services each year. LOROS services include:

- An In-patient unit of 31 beds
- A Palliative Day Therapy Unit
- A Counselling Service for patients and their families
- Lymphoedema Clinics
- Medical Outpatients Clinics

- Complementary Therapy Clinics
- A Community Nurse Specialist Team
- Family Support Services

All of these services are provided free to patients and their families.

LOROS needs to raise over £4 million annually to fund these services and to provide development. The Charity relies on the support of the local community and businesses in order to raise these vital funds.

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