Take part in our raffle

You could be our next £7,000 winner!
The Macular Society runs a raffle twice a year in spring and at Christmas. It is a great way to support our work and you have a chance to win an amazing prize at the same time.

If you would like to join in with the fun and receive a book of tickets for our next raffle, please telephone 01264 321 985 or email felicity.h@macularsociety.org to request some of our large print ticket books. Tickets cost £1 each. You can sell the tickets or buy them for yourself. Whoever has the winning tickets wins the prizes - it's as simple as that!

The money we raise from the raffle goes to help us provide information and support to everyone affected by macular conditions, as well as funding ground-breaking research to find a cure.

What would you do as the winner of a £7,000 cash prize?
You could take that holiday of a lifetime or enjoy a special Christmas with family and friends.

If you would like to take part in our next raffle, or would like further information contact Felicity Honnor at felicity.h@macularsociety.org or call 01264 321 985.
Terms and conditions
We are working in conjunction with a recognised external lottery management company and are registered with the Gambling Commission, so you can be assured that the Macular Society raffle will meet all of the necessary legal and ethical obligations to the Society, its members and supporters.

For full Terms and conditions and the following policies please contact Felicity Honnor at felicity.h@macularsociety.org or call 01264 321 985.

Law and disorder policy
Players complaints policy
Policy on fair and open draws
Problem gambling policy
Protection of children and the vulnerable policy
Self exclusion policy

Are you gambling more than you really want? Is someone you know gambling too much? Need someone to talk to about how gambling makes you feel?

The Gambleaware Helpline provides confidential advice, information and emotional support throughout Great Britain to anyone experiencing problems with gambling. Call the Gambleaware National Telephone Helpline on 0808 8020 133, 8am to midnight, 7 days a week. An experienced team of Helpline Advisers is ready to take your call.

Prize Winners
And the winners are...

Christmas 2016
£7,000, Mrs Hunter, Leicester
£750 cash, Mrs Edwards, Chester
£250 cash, Miss Le Blanc, Horsham

£20 M&S voucher: Mrs Benson, D Staddon, M. Tunniclifte, Mrs Law, Mrs Ainscough, Mrs Sadler, Ms Ferguson, Mrs Pinder, Mrs Jones, Mrs Billing, Mr Barnett, E Wilson, Mr Simpson, Mrs Benson, Mrs Adams, Mr Phillips, Mr Berry, Mrs Jelley, Mrs Stansfield, Mr Branton
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Spring 2016

£7000, Mrs M Town, Felixstowe
£750 cash, Mrs M Ainscough, Nuneaton
£250 cash, Mrs M Harrison, Stockport
£100 cash, Mr P Baldwin, Bognor Regis

£20 M&S voucher: Mrs P Hampton, Mrs M Cannar, Mrs B Jackman, Mrs G Polgreen, Mrs J Gooch, Mr P Rooper, Ms J A Davis, Mr J Pearson, Mrs S Kemp, Mr S Shirtliff, Mr E N Chesters, Mrs F Kennea, Mr M Hughes, Mrs K Laing, Mrs C Wittkovitch, Ms A Tunnaccliffe, Mr E West, M Mooney, Mr B Damp, L McAffer

The winner of the £5000 first prize in the Summer 2015 Raffle was Mr Silver from Surrey. The second prize of £1000 was won by Mrs Duck from Berkshire, the third prize of £300 was won by Ms Harris from London and the fourth prize of £200 was won by Mr Vant from Essex. Congratulations to all. £20 M&S vouchers were won by Mr Jarvis from Durham, Mrs Hoyle from Devon, Mr Redford from Lancashire, Mrs Shaw from Liverpool, Mrs Kettley from Lincoln, Mrs Williams from London, Mrs Berry from Burnley, Mrs Carson from Hull, Mr Gewitzke from Surrey, Mrs Hamilton from Frome, Mrs Gunasingham from London, Mrs Burley from London, Mrs Burkimsher from Matlock, Mr Grant from Bootle, Mrs Chaplin-Brown from Dover, Mrs Manson from Lockerbie, Mrs Briggs from Matlock, Mrs Price from Cardiff, Mrs Laing from Aberdeen and Mrs Howlett from Enfield. Congratulations to all of our lucky winners.

The winner of the Spring 2015 Raffle was Mrs Adey from Leicester who won the first prize of £5000. Second prize of £1000 was won by Mr Troy from Dinas Powys, with the £300 prize going to Ms Tilsen from Wolverhampton and £200 to Mr McIvor from Goole. Congratulations to all. £20 Marks and Spencer Vouchers have been won by Mr Davies, Penarth; Mr Bocker, Brighton; Mrs Gibson, Shrewsbury; Mr Parker, Leicester; Mr Jenkins, Gainsborough; Mrs Lewis, Llandindod Wells; Mrs Green, Cambridge; Mr Eayrs, Oakham; Mr Moodie, Inverness; Mrs Simpson, Cheadle; Mr Blackmore, Rugby; Mrs Jones, Ruthin; Mrs Kitchen, Glasgow; Mrs Bevis, Cambridge; Mrs Toler, Dorking; Mrs Edis, Manchester; Ms Grafham, Heathfield; Ms Wyatt, Plymouth and Mrs Fowler, Wirral.

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The winners of a Chocolate Hamper in the April prize draw quick draw are Mr R Bradford, Sheffield; Mr J Ralph, London; Mr D Morgan, Newton Le Willows and Mr G Watkins from Bristol. Well done everyone, and thank you for supporting the Macular Society prize draw 2015.

The winners of the March prize draw quick draw for a Chocolate Indulgence Easter Hamper are Mr D Wilton, Stoke on Trent; Mr J Bagley, Rowley Regis; Mr D Lewis, London; Mrs E Davenport, Glasgow and Mr R Garlick, St Leonards on Sea. Congratulations to all of our winners and we hope you enjoy your Easter treats!

The winner of the first prize of £5000 in the Autumn Raffle 2014 is Mrs S P Gabbertas, from Worksop - congratulations! The second prize of £1000 has been won by Mr H Maddams from Stratford upon Avon, and the third prize of £500 has been won by Miss Kellock from Cambridgeshire.

The winners of £25 Marks and Spencers vouchers are: Mr J Reek, Durham; Mr W Croft, Whitby; Mrs L Fattal, London; Ms A Wisbeach, London; Mr Neville-Jones, Wareham; Mrs A Davis, Southsea; Mr D Thomas, Ammanford; Mrs S Kemp, Aylesbury; Mrs M Bailey, Fareham; and Mrs A Sutcliffe, Rochdale.

The winner of the first prize in the Macular Society 2014 Prize Draw is Mrs Simmons, from Lincolnshire. Mrs Simmons won the first prize of £7000 - congratulations!

The winners of the Macular Society September 2014 Prize Draw Quick Draw were:
£50 Marks and Spencer Voucher - Mrs E Lewis, Penarth; Mr S Cribb, Epsom; Ms E Field, Ruthin; Mr M Faulkner, Stoke on Trent; Mr I Gess, New Malden.

Summer Hampers - Mr W Dighton, London; Mr A Pengelly, Spalding; Mrs M Thouless, Stroud; Ms P Graczyk, St Neots; Mr P Liddle, Surrey.

The winners of the Macular Society June 2014 Prize Draw Quick Draw were:
£50 Marks and Spencer Voucher - Miss M Stanley, Nottingham; Mrs S Johnson, Preston; Mrs W Cooper, Wolverhampton; Mrs Fullerton, Colchester and Mr Reco, Aberdeen.

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The winners of the Macular Society May 2014 Prize Draw Quick Draw were:
Summer Hampers - Mrs M Stokes, Bristol; Mr P Crawley, Hinckley; Mr G Davies, Port Talbot; Mrs S Bickers, Chigwell; Mrs J Neill, Leigh.

£50 Marks and Spencer Voucher - Mrs T Healey, Matlock; Mrs G Short, Chelmsford; Mrs R Pound, Aylesbury; Mr I Jung, Ruislip; Mrs M Williams, Northwich.

The winners of the Spring Raffle 2014, drawn on 22 May 2014 were:
£5000 Mr Cave, London
£1000 Mrs Stenton, Seaton
£500 Mrs Harle, Wetherby
£25 M&S Vouchers have been won by:

Mr Hutchinson, Solihull; Mr Claridge, Gloucester; Ms Wells, Berkhamsted; Mrs Wilson, London; Mr Holtom, Morecambe; Mrs Snape, Leyland; Mr Lewis, Oswestry; Mrs Costello, Middlesex; Mrs Baker, Shoreham; Mrs Dee, Fleet.

The winners of a Macular Society Mug and some chocolate Easter eggs, in the Fast 50 Draw, which was part of our Spring Raffle 2014, were:
Mrs Belcher, Marlow; Mrs Middleton, Durham; Mrs Coombs, Leicester; Mrs Morton, Derby; Mrs Moodie, Edinburgh; Mr Sowyer, Salisbury; Mrs Hoyle, Holmfirth; Mrs Goddard, Chesham; Mr Robertson, Wilmslow; Mrs Harrison, Darlington; Mr Price, Hereford; Mrs Smith, Ryton; Mrs Brooks, St Austell; Mrs Kemm, Hampton; Miss Ker, Banstead; Mrs Peattie, Morden; Mrs Dewsbury, Holmfirth; Mrs Simpkin, Stowmarket; Mrs Waters, Halifax; Mrs Parker, Wellingborough; Mrs Dixon, Belper; Mr Wolfe, London; Mr Harrison, Otterton; Mrs Hill, Bedford; Mrs Ward, Kettering; Mr Landells, Middlesborough; Mrs Bowyer, Redruth; Mrs Abbott, Stamford; Mr Born, Gravesend; Mrs Oakes, Thornton Clevelys; Mr Steeper, Leeds; Mrs Salkeld, Hampshire; Mrs Whitlow, Lymm; Mrs Fellows, Hythe; Ms Davies, Conwy; Mrs Robinson, Thatcham; Mr Eayrs, Rutland; Mr Rhodes, London; Mr Harness, Alton; Miss Nevill, Colchester; Mrs Sherwood, Hope Valley; Ms Beedell, Pontyclun; Mrs Waller, Kettering; Mrs King, Sudbury; Mrs Blain, Buckhurst; Mr Grimmer, Norwich; Mr Cole, Salisbury; Mrs Creighton, Solihull; Mrs Hawkes,
Canterbury and Ms Kineavy, Sheffield. Congratulations to you all, and Happy Easter.

10 Easter Chocolates Hampers have been won in the Macular Society Easter Awards, which were drawn on 28th March 2014, by:
Mrs Inder, London; Mr Lydford, Berkshire; Mr Gribbin, Salford; Mr Colesby, Dudley; Mrs Ashley, Shoreham; Miss Lowry, London; Mr Hickman, Dudley; Mr Hassett, Belfast; Mr Webster, Hull and Mrs Ireland, Southport. Congratulations to all of our winners.

The winners of the Autumn Raffle 2013, drawn on Friday 13th December 2013, were:
£5000 Mrs Bennet, Oxfordshire
£1000 Mrs Burstall, Kingston upon Thames
£500 Mrs Trotter, Nottinghamshire
£25 M&S Vouchers have been won by:
Ms Taylor - Watford, Mrs Evans - Crewkerne, Miss Cumbes - Hastings, Miss Dines - Liverpool, Ms Fox - Banstead, Mrs Aldridge - Southampton, Mr Dibsdale - St Albans, Mrs Jenkinson - Filey, Mrs Alexander - Whitstable, Miss Evans - Bourne End.

The first winners of the Macular Society Prize Draw Speed Draw for a Food and Drink Hamper, made on 1 December 2013, were:
Mrs Moore, Southampton.; Mr Edwards, Colchester; Mr Parker, Edinburgh; Mrs Hill, Cannock; Mr Anderson, Essex

Here are the lucky winners of our previous raffles – thank you to everyone who has taken part and made the Macular Society Raffles such a success.

Winners of the Spring 2013 Raffle were:
£5000 Mrs Capon, Berkshire
£1000 Mrs Rogers, Kent
£500 Mr Tandy, Gloucestershire

Winners of the Autumn 2012 Raffle were:
£5000 Mrs Phillips, Manchester
£1000 Mrs Allen, Monmouth

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£500 Mrs Simper, West Sussex

Winners of the Spring 2012 Raffle were:
£4000 Mr Williams, Essex
£750 Mrs Julian, Cornwall
£250 Mrs Ellis, Cumbria

10 x £25 M&S Vouchers have also been awarded to 10 lucky winners in each raffle.

Frequently asked questions
If you have any other question, however, please do not hesitate to call 01264 321 985 or email felicity.h@macularsociety.org.

**Why does the Macular Society run a raffle programme?**
The raffle is an effective way for us to raise money and reach out to a wider audience of potential supporters. Lots of people like to buy a raffle ticket to potentially win a big prize. It’s also a great way to raise awareness of the Macular Society and the work we do reaching out to new people who may need our support. By giving away prizes to our winners we have the opportunity to say a heartfelt ‘thank you’ to generous members and supporters – those of you who make our work possible each and every day.

**I want to take part in your next raffle.**
If you want to take part in our next raffle, please just contact us on 01264 321 985 or send us an email with your full name and address so that we can add you to the mailing list.

**What do I do with my tickets?**
Raffle tickets cost £1 each and they are sent out in books of 12 tickets. You can sell your tickets to colleagues, friends and family, but not door-to-door as this is illegal. Please be aware that no-one under the age of 16 is permitted to buy or sell raffle tickets.

**How do I complete the raffle ticket stubs?**
Please write the purchaser’s name and address clearly on each ticket stub, handing them the tear off ticket(s). Please try to add a telephone number as we like to inform our winners of their prize by telephone.

Helpline 0300 3030 111
If you are buying the tickets yourself, please use the stickers on the front of the ticket book. Please sell as many tickets as you are able, and then return your ticket stubs, any unsold tickets and your payment in the freepost envelope provided, by the closing date. Please make your cheque or postal order payable to the ‘Macular Society’.

Larger print documents to help you with your payment are available if you call 01264 350 551.

I have forgotten to include my payment or ticket stubs.
If you think that you have forgotten to include your payment, or if there is any problem with processing your tickets, you will receive a letter which will tell you what to do next. In most cases, any problems can be quickly resolved with our team of advisers.

Do you really give away those big prizes?
Yes, we do. Our prizes are guaranteed and someone will always win them – it could be you! Please see the previous winners page for a list of our most recent prize winners.

How can you afford to give away such big prizes?
The prizes come from a small percentage of the profits from the raffle, so are generated from ticket sales and do not use any other income.

Aren’t you wasting money by sending me these raffles?
We keep a tight control on our costs, such as the design and printing of packs, to ensure that each pack we send out is low cost and reaches the correct address. Raffles raise a significant amount of money which we will use to support our services, as well as reaching people who might not otherwise know about the Macular Society.

Where is the money I donate to you actually going?
The Macular Society is dedicated to supporting people with macular conditions and to providing a growing range of services to our members and supporters. We operate with a small staff of dedicated people who work extremely hard to care for the members and supporters of the Macular Society; we also have a network of over 1,000 volunteers across the UK. We aim to keep our administration and office function costs to a minimum.

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Why have I been sent the raffle?
If you have previously supported us we will send you opportunities to take part in offers that may be of interest. Many people like to support our work by taking part in raffles. We send out raffles regularly so that the kind and generous people who like to support us in this way have the opportunity to do so throughout the year. Of course, we know that not everyone would like to receive raffle packs, so if you would like to receive fewer or none of these mailings, please call 01264 321 985 or contact us by email to have your name removed from our mailing list.

If you have not previously supported us we will occasionally invite selected groups of people to take part in our raffle. We try to find people who are likely to want to take part, but if you have received a pack and don’t want to hear from us please call us on 01264 321 985 or contact us by email.

What if I don’t want to take part in raffles?
That’s fine, just let us know by calling 01264 321 985 or contact us by email, and we will remove your name from the mailing list. If you are able to do so, please return your unused raffle ticket books in the freepost envelope, with a covering note, so that we can cancel them from the draw.

When do the draws take place?
Response dates and draw dates will be printed on each pack and reminder dates will be posted on our website as closing dates approach. A list of the winners will be posted on our website as soon as possible after each draw has been made.

How will I know if I have won a prize?
We will contact all main prize winners as soon as possible after the draw date. For smaller prizes you will receive your prize in the post within 28 days from the draw date. A full list of all prize winners’ names and postal towns will be published on our website within 7 days of the draw date.
I'm worried a raffle I have received might be a scam.
Please rest assured that our raffles are not a scam. The prizes on offer are real and are won by real people.

If you are concerned, please follow these simple rules:
• No legitimate company will ever ask you to keep your prize a secret or ask you to pay to receive your prize
• Always check the name of the organisation promoting the prize is on the pack – if you are in any doubt, get in touch, and do not take part until you are satisfied that the prize draw is genuine
• Be cautious of ringing a premium rate telephone number – the cost of the call could be greater than the value of your prize!
• Any fundraising communication should include the charity’s registered charity number which you can check on the charity commission website. If the charity is a member of the Fundraising Standards Board, as we are, this should also give you additional reassurance that the charity will adhere to the fundraising promise and strict fundraising standards.

A scam is a criminal offence, and if you think that you have been targeted by a scam please contact the police or trading standards.

I am worried about my gambling.
You can find more information and help in regard to gambling by visiting the GamCare website or by calling 0845 6000 133.

I am still not happy, and want to make a complaint.
If you are not happy about any aspect of the Macular Society’s work, including our raffle and prize draw programme, please tell us and we will do our best to put things right. You can contact our Complaints Officer on 01264 321 970.

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