

## **Press Release**

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### **Toys for the Children at the RUH**

Cento rebels and Mini-rebels Car Club are showing their softer side as they present a collection of new cuddly toys to the children's ward at the Royal United Hospital, on Tuesday 3 July. The young patients can also check out the 'special' cars, which the club will be driving up to the hospital.

The Club organised a 'run to the sun', driving in convoy to the Knap in Wales and they invited members to donate a toy if they wanted to take part in the fun. The car run was organised by Sandra Turner and David Newman.

Sandra says: "So many children spend a long time in hospital and we agreed that it would be good to brighten their day somehow. We wanted to bring in some fun and see them smile. As well as the toys, we have brought some pictures of the cars for the children to keep and we hope that they can come and get a good close-up view of our cars. We all want to wish the children on the ward a speedy recovery."

Play specialist Lyn Gardiner says; "What an exciting possibility. We are thrilled to have a visit from such an interesting club and we are grateful to them for their generosity. The assistance of the Club is much appreciated in our endeavours to help the children and their families during their stay on the ward."

**Ends**

#### **Notes to Editors**

A photo opportunity has been arranged for Tuesday 3 July at 10.30am. Please contact Anita Houlding, communications officer on 01225 825799.

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