Brooklea Stanford Dingley Berkshire RG7 6LX 22nd October 2017

Dear Mr O'Leary,

I was in the Circle Hospital earlier in the month attending a pre-assessment appointment for a total shoulder replacement by Mr Harry Brownlow. I saw you descending the staircase to the atrium and was motivated to stop you and thank you for the knee replacements you did for me in October 2013 & January 2014 but understandably you looked as if you were on a mission and I was loath to interrupt you.

However now that I am home from my shoulder replacement I want to express my profound thanks to each of the three superbly skilled surgeons at the Circle who have transformed my life for the better.

I enclose a small gift within this cover, being a book, I have written about my old training college at Hamble in Hampshire. Naturally I hope that you might enjoy reading 'The CAT and the Hamsters' but from an orthopaedic point of view I wonder if the brief summary of events on pages 137-143 offers any insight as to why, 50 years later, I have required four visits to the maintenance hangar in 4 years?

It's not a question I ask very seriously but my thanks to the three of you: Sean O'Leary, Patrick McKenna and Harry Brownlow, are more profound. Each of the four operations has eradicated a source of pain that was severely interfering with my life and the chosen activities that make it enjoyable.

In addition, Patrick has cured my golf slice, Sean saved my money because I no longer have to hire a golf buggy (walking around the course instead) and I'm hopeful that when Harry authorises me to play again in the New Year he will have improved my short game and weeding ability in my garden.

Gentlemen: I know that you work very hard under exacting conditions and at times (like all professionals) you might question 'is it worth all the aggro' but never, ever doubt the far-reaching benefits of your work on your patients' lives. I offer this observation in all sincerity along with my ardent thanks for what you have done for me.

Sincere best wishes.

Stuart Logan.