



THE REMARKABLE STORY OF MIKE SOPER'S TITANIC FIGHT AGAINST METASTATIC CASTRATION RESISTANT PROSTATE AND BONE CANCER

Mike was diagnosed in 2000 after complaining of chest pains. Doctors found his PSA to be 580 and he was given 6 months to live.

Now approaching 80, Mike is the longest known survivor of this form of cancer in the world - 25 years.

Reaching these milestones, Mike is determined to tell his story to raise greater awareness of the disease, and give men hope when they are diagnosed.

His survival has been underpinned by his positive approach and his mental attitude to keep fighting and believe anything is possible. He says he would not be alive without his wife, Julie - his rock, driver, carer, and supporter through his darkest days.

Mike was Chairman of Surrey County Cricket Club, Deputy Chairman of the ECB and a Vice President of Hampshire CCC. In 2019 Mike founded the charity Reposm Sports Housing Trust which will provide sheltered accommodation for retired sports people who have fallen in to difficulty. Against his background in sport - he believes this is his mission to "give something back". Since Covid and the aggressive return of his cancer, he has not been able to give his fullest attention to Reposm and urgently needs help to create the first home. His passion for the project has doubled his determination to fight on.

In January 2025 doctors at Poole Hospital could not offer further treatment and his PSA had reached 1237. He started a Trial at The Royal Marsden which will last for the rest of 2025. Through weekly treatments (infusions) his PSA went down to 150 in March and 31 in May.

Mike fights on....

KEY LANDMARKS SINCE 2000

2000

Diagnosed with metastatic prostate and bone cancer.
Given 6 months to live.

2001

Went to Houston USA, MD Anderson. Prescribed special treatment – chemo Docetaxel - by world leading expert Professor Logothetis. PSA was 630. Returned to UK for treatment with the NHS at Poole Hospital.

Started the treatment and PSA went to 0.1.

2006

PSA started to rise. Put on Dexamethasone for 10 years.

2016

Diagnosed with lung cancer – growth removed

2018

PSA started to rise - to 52

2019

More chemotherapy - 8 sessions of Docetaxel

2020

PSA 70. Radiotherapy. More cancer found in groin.

2023

PSA rose to 190, more chemo of Cabazitaxel and Dexamethasone

2024

PSA rose to 500

2025

After 25 years, all types of treatments had been exhausted. Referred to The Royal Marsden. January - started a Trial with PSA at unprecedented 1237. Down to 31 in May. Scan shows an excellent response to latest immunotherapy. The medical team were amazed by the results which they have never seen before. The Trial will go on for the rest of 2025.

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