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Birmingham International Tattoo raises over £10,000 for Royal Star & Garter

More than £10,000 has been raised for veterans' charity, Royal Star & Garter, at the Birmingham International Tattoo.

Residents and staff from the charity's Home in Solihull were among the guests at the military spectacular, which took place at the Resorts World Arena on 10-11 February.

A total of £10,300 was raised for Royal Star & Garter, through bucket collections, programme sales and contactless payments on the day.



Staff and residents from Royal Star & Garter in Solihull, beside the charity's stall at the Birmingham International Tattoo

The charity provides loving, compassionate care to veterans and their partners living with disability or dementia. It also has Homes in Surbiton and High Wycombe, and has launched new services reaching out into the community.

Royal Star & Garter has been one of the Birmingham International Tattoo's chosen charities since 2007. During that time, more than £136,000

has been raised for the charity.

Volunteers, including Department for Healthcare Education (DHE) military student nurses and members from Co-op Funeralcare branches in Wednesbury and Wednesfield, also helped fundraise for Royal Star & Garter.

The two-day event included marching bands from across the UK, spectacular displays and all the military pomp and ceremony associated with the prestigious annual Birmingham International Tattoo.

Royal Star & Garter Chief Executive Andy Cole addressed the audience at the Tattoo, and later



Royal Star & Garter staff member Kevin, with resident and Army veteran Brian, look through the Birmingham International Tattoo programme



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said: "It was great to be back at the Birmingham International Tattoo, and I'd like to thank the organisers for once again supporting Royal Star & Garter. Thanks must also go to our volunteers, and the generous Tattoo audience. This money raised will help us continue providing exceptional care to veterans and their partners."

Birmingham International Tattoo Producer Norman Rogerson MBE said: "Once again we are pleased to support Royal Star & Garter and help raise funds for the invaluable work they do for veterans and the military family. This fantastic amount raised is testament to our audience's support for military charities and brings the total raised for this worthy cause through the Tattoo to over £136,000."

Royal Star & Garter in Solihull is welcoming new residents. For more information on this, or to work at the Home, go to www.starandgarter.org/solihull

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