

Care for Veterans

a Royal Star & Garter Home

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Over £3,000 raised for veterans' care home as 'brave soles' take on charity firewalk

A Firewalk Challenge has helped raise over £3,800 for a veterans' care home in Worthing, with the total expected to rise.

Participants braved a walk across 600°C coals to raise funds for the care and wellbeing of residents at Care for Veterans – a Royal Star & Garter Home, and took place at Worthing Rugby Club on 20 September.

The Home provides long-term nursing, rehabilitation, respite and end-of-life care to veterans and their families who live with disabilities, including acquired brain injury and degenerative neurological conditions.



Fundraisers walk across red-hot coal embers to raise money for Care for Veterans

Among the 'brave soles' who took part was Care for Veterans Home Manager Vicky Strange, who raised £1,400. She said: "It was amazing to see so many people step out of their comfort zones to support our veterans. The courage they showed raised money which will help us continue giving our residents the care and recognition they deserve. I've never done anything like this before but I wanted to give

something back to our veteran community, and as the Home Manager, to lead by example for any future events and to get more people involved. I want to thank everyone – from firewalkers to volunteers and all those that supported us on the night – for making it such a memorable, fun and worthwhile event."

In total, 15 people walked across the red-hot embers for Care for Veterans, helping raise £3,853, with more donations still coming in and expected to push the total over £4,000.

Care for Veterans is now part of the Royal Star & Garter group, following a merger with the charity earlier this year.

The Home is welcoming new residents. For more information on this and other ways to fundraise and support, please go to www.careforveterans.org.uk

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About the Royal Star & Garter group

Founded in 1916, Royal Star & Garter provides care, support and friendship for veterans and their families so that they can live well. The charity delivers nursing and dementia care through Homes in Solihull, Surbiton, High Wycombe, and now in Worthing, having recently merged with the military charity Care for Veterans. It also offers a range of services reaching into the community, including Lunch Clubs, Day Care and a national Telephone Friendship Service.