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Surbiton care home hosts open days for veterans and their partners

A care home in Surbiton will throw open its doors to the veterans' community when it hosts two open days.

Royal Star & Garter in Upper Brighton Road will showcase the outstanding person-centred long-term and short-break care it delivers to veterans, their family and friends, during open days on 31 January and 7 February. Those wishing to attend are asked to register in advance.

The Home welcomes anyone who has served in the UK Armed Forces, including Reservists and those who completed National Service.



Green-fingered residents Ursula and Kate water the plants

It provides loving, compassionate care – including short breaks – to veterans and their partners living with disability or dementia. Day Care and Lunch Clubs are among newer services reaching out into the community which have also been launched at the Home.

Visitors interested in short breaks, which is now available to people living with dementia, are

also encouraged to attend. The short stay offer allows for 30% off a two-week stay between January and 30 April 2025, if booked by 28 February.

The open days run from 10.30am-12.30pm on 31 January and 2-4pm on 7 February.

Those attending will be given a snapshot of everyday life at Royal Star & Garter and the chance to speak to senior staff. They will be offered a tour of the Home, which will include the in-house physiotherapy room and hair salon, garden, activities room and lounges.

Visitors will be able to watch or participate in a range of activities taking place on the day.



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Senior care staff, including Home Manager Helena Maher, and members of the Wellbeing Team, will be available to answer questions over a cuppa and a slice of cake. Residents from the Home will also be on hand to speak to visitors about Royal Star & Garter.

Home Manager Helena said: "We know looking for a care home for yourself or someone you love can be daunting, but I hope those coming to our open days will see the exceptional care we offer, and have those fears eased. I also hope people take advantage of the short-stay offer. People will receive award-winning care, while their carers will get the invaluable opportunity to rest and recharge."



Residents enjoy one of the many popular art activities at the Surbiton Home

Those wishing to attend are asked to register interest online through Eventbrite, with places limited to two per booking. To register interest, please go to <u>bit.ly/SRB-Open-Day-Tickets</u>. If you are unable to register online, please call 020 8339 5100.

If you are unable to attend the open days but would like a tour of the Home or to speak to staff about becoming a resident or a short break, please email <u>Surbiton.enquiries@starandgarter.org</u> or call 020 8339 5100.

For more information about Short Stay, and the 30% off offer, go to <u>https://starandgarter.org/surbiton-short-break-offer/</u>

For more information about the Surbiton Home, go to <u>www.starandgarter.org/surbiton</u>

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About Royal Star & Garter

Founded in 1916, Royal Star & Garter is a charity which provides loving, compassionate care to veterans and their families living with disability or dementia, and has three Homes in Solihull, Surbiton and High Wycombe. It has also launched services reaching out into the community including Lunch Clubs, Day Care and a national Telephone Friendship Service.

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