



CROWBOROUGH COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDERS



**The Queen's Award
for Voluntary Service**

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CAROLINE WRIGHT SCHOOL OF DANCE NOMINATES

CROWBOROUGH COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDERS AS CHARITY FOR ANNUAL SHOW PROCEEDS

(CROWBOROUGH)

Caroline Burns, the founder of the Caroline Wright School of Dance, nominated Crowborough Community First Responders as the charity to receive proceeds of their annual 'Let There Be Dance' show in 2019.



The show takes a significant amount of work, not only by Caroline herself, but by all the amazing dancers that were involved with the show, across a wide age spectrum.

Performing Ballet, Tap, Modern, Contemporary and Jazz, the show played to a packed audience, both for the afternoon and evening performances at the Chequer Mead Theatre in East Grinstead on 17 November. The audience also helped raise money with a raffle that took place across the event. Barclays were kind enough to fund match the raffle proceeds, and we are grateful for their ongoing support of our charity.

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Two of the dancers from the show Madison Westwood (Left) and Holly Pointer (Right)

A fantastic total of £1,664.09 was raised through staging the show, which means that the team are able to deploy another Public Access Defibrillator in the area, a vital lifesaving piece of equipment, that can increase the chance of survival from the ultimate medical emergency, a cardiac arrest.

There are around 30,000 out of hospital cardiac arrests in the UK every year, and without the presence of a defibrillator, the chance of a patient surviving is around 2%.

Speaking about the fundraising, Nicki Pointer (Team Leader – Crowborough CFR) said:

“I want to thank Caroline for choosing us as her dance school’s charity for the show and the dancers for all the hard work that was put in to stage the show. We are so grateful for the support and for the fantastic amount of money that was raised, along with the support of Barclays and the fund matching.”

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Crowborough Community First Responders

Crowborough Community First Responders was formed in 2010, became a registered charity in 2014 and was awarded the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service in 2019, the highest award a volunteer group can receive in the UK.

The charity provides specially trained volunteers who work alongside and to respond as directed by South East Coast Ambulance NHS Foundation Trust, to emergency 999 calls in Crowborough and surrounding parishes. The charity is run entirely by its volunteers, 13 in total (8 frontline CFRs and 5 Fundraisers). The Charity's Patron is Mrs Jennifer Tate.

Awards

- 2014 – Rotary Club Citizens Award
- 2015 – Heart of the Community
- 2019 – Queen's Award for Voluntary Service
- 2019 – UK Heartsafe
- 2019 – Best of Sussex 999 Award

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Friends of Crowborough Community First Responders

The Friends of Crowborough Community First Responders was setup in 2019 to co-ordinate and assist the frontline CFR team with fundraising activities. The team is formed at present by 5 people, with their own Chair, Secretary and Treasurer, operating as a sub-committee of the main charity.

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Caroline Wright School of Dance

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