

Boost for charities

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Caring groups in Swaffham and the East Anglian Air Ambulance have been given a helping hand by members of the town's Rotary Club.

Swaffham and Litcham Home Hospice Support Group and Crossroads – Caring for Carers recently received cheques for 1,000 each from a big band concert held by Rotarians in May.

And the air ambulance and Community First Responders medical aid teams will be sharing about 500 raised from a regional Rotary go-karting competition organised by the Swaffham club.

Press officer Nigel Chambers said the concert with Glenn Miller-style band Swing's The Thing, at Hamond's High School's theatre, attracted a full house of 200 people and raised 2,000.

Cheques were presented to hospice group co-ordinator Debbie Harfield and Sue Kerrison from Crossroads before the club's lunchtime meeting at the George Hotel earlier this month.

The karting competition resulted from a challenge to other East Anglian Rotary clubs from the Swaffham club. The event was staged at the Anglia Karting Centre, North Pickenham. Swaffham A team, consisting of Alan Bunyan, Chris Parsons and David Impey, took the team prize, and Nigel Cook won the individual award.

The karting centre donated 5 per entrant towards the total raised.