

Dashed good idea at Swaffham to help hospice

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SWAFFHAM and Litcham Home Hospice Support's funds have been boosted by about £2,000 from a Christmas draw that had prizes of a Waitrose trolley dash and vouchers.

Malcolm Cross, from Swaffham, won the draw but his wife, Jocelyn, did the 90-second dash around the aisles at the town's store off Castle Acre Road, as he had an injured back.

Mrs Cross gathered goods worth 561 as the hospice group's fundraising chairman Adrian Adcock followed her around, acting as timekeeper and letting her know how much time was left.

She was given vocal encouragement by her husband and twin sons, Nathan and Daniel. The dash took place after the store closed on December 13.

Second prize of 75 in Waitrose vouchers went to Mr Terry Creed, also of Swaffham, and third prize of 50 in vouchers to Mrs A. Hayes, from Thetford.

Mr Adcock, a retired Barclays Bank manager, said 750 of the total raised through the event came from the Barclays Community Investment programme.

"We are very grateful that Barclays has supported us again. We would also like to thank Waitrose for allowing us to sell raffle tickets within the store and also their staff, who were extremely helpful and looked after us well," he said.