

STOCK RESIDENT'S RUN FOR PARKINSONS DISEASE

"Please help me raise money to support the Parkinson's Disease Society."

Nothing can move you to support a charity more so than seeing a close family member suffering from an incurable disease such as Parkinson's Disease, however this is what Paul Brooks has witnessed, as his father was diagnosed with the disease in 2007.

Parkinson's Disease is a progressive neurological condition that affects movement such as walking, talking and writing. It affects all aspects of a persons life. Paul says "I have witnessed a lively, outgoing 65 year old Dad/ Grandad, turn into a recluse. It is hard to digest- especially for him."

The disease mainly affects people in their early 60s, however it can affect people as young as 40. Approximately 1 in 500 people in the UK are currently diagnosed with Parkinson's disease.

Paul, a local Stock resident, is aiming to raise £3 000 for the Parkinson's Disease Society (a UK charity 'dedicated to supporting all people with Parkinson's, their families, friends and carers') by running the London 2010 marathon and is asking for other Stock Residents to support him. Currently, there is no cure for Parkinson's Disease, however advances are being made through ongoing research and science, so hopefully a cure will be found. However, for now, those who have been diagnosed with this disease and their families need ongoing support to get them through.

Please support Paul by sponsoring him on the London 2010 marathon, by phoning 841 261 or by going to www.justgiving.com/Paul-Brooks0