



Another Gold Medal for Sarah!

**LIW's Sarah Winckless put her Olympic rowing skills to the test by joining the HR team at Barclaycard for a charity event to raise money for the RNLI.**

Sarah joined a team of 24 Barclaycard HR staff who rowed ergo machines the equivalent of 113.5 miles - the distance from their office in Northampton to the RNLI HQ in Poole.

They were pitted against Barclaycard's Payment Acceptance team for a tough, 8 hour long row and after a valiant effort by both teams HR emerged exhausted but victorious raising just over £2,000 in the process - a sum that will be doubled by a 'pound for pound' fund matching initiative within Barclaycard. They hope the final total will reach an impressive £5k.

The funds raised will help the RNLI continue to save lives at sea around the UK. The RNLI is an independent charity, and does not receive any funding from the UK government so every penny raised is vital to them. As an example, the RNLI's running costs average around £378,000 a day. For every £1 raised, 84p is spent on operations and 16p is spent on generating income.



LIW is very pleased to have lent our support to the cause in the form of our very own Double World Champion and Olympic rower who 'buoyed-up' the teams by giving her expert advice, physical reinforcement and inspirational enthusiasm and energy - even if it did give HR a slightly unfair advantage!



You can still donate to the JustGiving page for this worthy charity at:  
<http://www.justgiving.com/barclaycard-hr-rowingchallenge>