



EIG Conference Birmingham 2016: Charities Update.

I would like to thank all the delegates who so kindly donated the wonderful prizes for the raffle held after the conference dinner in Birmingham. I would also like to thank all the people who so generously bought tickets in support of the nominated charities.

The prizes ranged from a computer tablet through to a remote controlled drone to bottles of wine. The raffle, as you can imagine, garnered a high level of anticipation due to excellent prizes so kindly donated by our delegates and the enthusiasm in the room was palpable during the draw – at least that is how I remembered it, though I did have a glass or two of port which might have made me a touch excitable!

Thanks to the generosity of the delegates a total of £2,154 was raised on the night. The money has been split between three very deserving charities; The Calvert Trust, Exmoor, The Birmingham Acorn Foundation and Birmingham's St Mary's Hospice.

Your generosity will go a little way in supporting the invaluable work the charities do, so once again, on behalf of all the EIG Committee Members a big thank you to all who helped.



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As the start date for the upcoming conference looms ever closer the EIG Committee has agreed to hold a raffle at the event to raise funds for the Great North Air Ambulance.

If, like me, your interest in geology came about partly through a passion for outdoor activities you may well be aware of the great work the GNAAS does in responding to emergencies both in remote mountains as well as busy city centers. You always hope that you will never need their services; however, if you ever did their fast response time and pioneering pre-hospital care could save your life.

The cost of running three helicopters is not cheap, £4.627m, and the service relies on the support of the public to survive. I hope you agree with the committee that this is a very worthwhile cause and if you would like to donate a prize for the raffle please contact me at paul.jennings@eigconferences.com for further details.

Look forward to seeing everyone in Durham,

Paul Jennings, Deputy Sponsorship and Charities for the EIG