

Philanthropic NTDA members show their support for multiple charities

Immediate Past North West & North Wales Chairman presents donation to Marie Curie

In early October, **Pirelli's Richard Dibb** the Immediate Past Chairman of the NTDA North West & North Wales Region visited the Marie Curie Hospice in Bradford and presented a cheque for £1,500 to Faye Cryer the Community Fundraiser for the Leeds and Tadcaster area.

This money, together with a further £1,500 presented to the Wheelwrights' Charity earlier this year, was raised at the 2017 Blackpool Winter Rubber Ball, when Richard was still Regional Chairman.

The **2018** Blackpool Winter Rubber Ball will take place on **Saturday 24th November 2018** at Grand Hotel Blackpool Conference and Spa, North Promenade, Blackpool FY1 2JQ and we are delighted to say, that more than 130 guests have already booked for this ever-popular event. If you would like to attend, or donate a charity raffle prize, please contact NTDA Membership Secretary Alison Keitch on T: **01296 482128** or E: alisonkeitch@ntda.co.uk



NTDA Executive Council Member to climb Mount Everest for Wooden Spoon Charity



Simon Wright the Commercial Director at **Universal Tyre & Autocentres**, which recently won the NTDA Medium Tyre Retailer of the Year Award, is to climb Mount Everest. Simon will join 30 other Wooden Spoon supporters to tackle Everest, ascending to Advanced base camp and beyond with the aim of raising in excess of £200,000 for this fantastic charity. He will be funding his own costs and 100% of any money donated will go directly to the Wooden Spoon.

The LMAX Exchange Everest Rugby Challenge takes place across 24 days (13 April to 6 May 2019) and will see the group battle acclimatisation and heights of 6,500 metres to play the highest game of full contact rugby and the highest game of mixed touch rugby in history – two new Guinness World Records.

The Wooden Spoon is the children's charity of rugby <https://woodenspoon.org.uk> it funds life-changing projects across the UK and Ireland to support children and young people with disabilities or facing disadvantage. Its vision is that every child and young person, no matter what their background, has access to the same opportunities. It funds a huge range

of projects including sensory rooms and gardens, playgrounds and outdoor activities, education projects, specialist equipment and facilities and health and wellbeing programmes.

All donations from the tyre trade will be hugely appreciated as Simon has set an ambitious personnel target! Donations can be made via the following link: <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/SimonWright44>

NTDA Vice National Chairman and Chief Executive present cheques to Wheelwrights' Charity



On the 11th October at the Wheelwrights' Michaelmas Dinner held at Trinity House in the City of London, the NTDA Vice National Chairman **Martin O'Brien** of **Kingsway Tyres** presented a cheque for £1,826.50 to the Master Bert Wiegman for the 2020 Appeal in support of WheelPower, which was money raised at the company's annual charity golf day.

At the same event the **NTDA Chief Executive Stefan Hay** presented a cheque for £2,255.00 which was raised at the Association's Tyre Industry golf day held at the Mere in June.



Commenting on all of this altruistic activity Stefan Hay said: *"It is fantastic to see so many NTDA members giving back to the community. For the Wheelwrights' Charity 2020 Appeal alone, we have raised over £50,000 in the last three years and we have another cheque for close to £4,300 pounds waiting to be presented to the charity in December, which is the money raised at our 89th Annual Dinner. I would like to thank all of our members for all that they do to support such worthy causes, as with their help people's lives are truly enriched beyond our comprehension!"*