

Moore Barlow Silicon Cup Regatta raises thousands of pounds for charities

Dear friends and supporters,

Thank you so much for your support of this year's online auction. It was a tremendous effort all round and kind of everyone who donated an item or experience, bid on any of the fantastic lots, donated money, or helped by raising awareness of the event through contacting friends or posting about the auction on social media.

Your support has meant that the total amount raised from the auction and donations have come to around £48,000, the proceeds of which will be split between the three organisations we chose to advocate this year. Each of them has sent a note of thanks, along with some information about how the money will help them continue to provide services during what remains a challenging time for many people.

Dreams Come True

We are extremely grateful to the Moore Barlow Silicon Cup Regatta for their help in raising money for Dreams Come True through this year's silent online auction. This year has been one of the toughest on record for all charities, and this exceptional contribution to our fundraising will help our charity in so many ways, not least in making real dreams come true for some seriously ill children and young people.



Inaaya, eight, has a dream to go to Disneyland Paris and have a princess sleepover! She has cerebral palsy and her condition presents lots of challenges for both her, and her family. Brett, 22, is recovering from hodgkin's disease (a cancer of the lymphatic system) and had hoped to go Germany in April, but his trip was postponed due to restrictions from Covid-19.

These are just a couple of examples of the dreams that the fantastic achievement of the Moore Barlow Silicon Cup Regatta will ensure come to fruition when circumstances allow.

We cannot praise the Moore Barlow Silicon Cup Regatta team enough, for their hard work and tenacity in making this hugely successful silent auction happen, and we'd also like to thank all those who bid on the lots and made donations. You are amazing and thank you so much from the whole Dreams Come True family.

Phil Ashforth
Marketing Relationship Manager
[Dreams Come True](#)

Andrew Simpson Foundation

We have had a great time being involved with the Moore Barlow Silicon Cup for several years now, and we're really heartened that this year's auction has enabled crucial funds to be raised. The Andrew Simpson Foundation's ethos will always be to encourage young people enjoy sailing and learn new skills that will help them thrive through life, and the money we receive will certainly assist our work.

All young people have the ability to succeed and excel, and what we do can help them develop a whole host of skills, both on and off the water, to work towards realising their aspirations. We help them challenge themselves to achieve new things, while also having fun.



All charities have struggled during 2020, but it's good to know that there are many people who still want to help. Thank you to all who have organised and supported this year's Moore Barlow Silicon Cup auction – it means a lot to us.

Iain Percy
Multi-Olympic Gold medallist and founding trustee
[Andrew Simpson Foundation](#)

Greig City Academy

Thank you to the Moore Barlow Silicon Cup for holding the auction this year and raising funds, especially given that a physical regatta wasn't able to be held. The money we receive will be used to significantly increase the capacity of our sailing programme by being able to buy our own RIB. This means that we can now run training sessions throughout the year and enable the lives of more young people to be enhanced by sailing.

We will also use some of the funding to develop our girls-only sailing programme by enabling them to get the right expertise to join what has been seen as a male dominated sport. A proportion of it will also go to help the cost of our entries to the UK Young National Sailing Championships. The students of ours are trailblazers – being the only entries of Afro-Caribbean descent to this prestigious event, they are showing the way for other BAME sailors to try the sport at a national level.



The help from the Silicon Cup will enable these important developments of our programme and will change these kids' lives in a positive way. May thanks to all involved.

Jon Holt
Head of sixth form and leader of the Sailing Club trustee
[Greig City Academy](#)

Thank you again for your support of the Moore Barlow Silicon Cup and our auction this year; as you've seen, the money raised will help some children and adults pursue their love of sailing or enable others to fulfil some much wished-for dreams. The JustGiving page for donations is open until the end of November:

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/TheSiliconCup2020>

We'll be back on the water next year, for our regatta on 27-28 May – hopefully many of you will be able to join us.

Shaun Frohlich
Chairman, Moore Barlow Silicon Cup Regatta
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