

£7,700 raised for Sick Kids




Volunteers have presented the Sick Kids Friends Foundation (SKFF) with a staggering cheque for £7,700 after courageously scaling the dizzying heights of Britain's highest mountain.

The group of 29 climbers battled the steep peaks and high cliffs of Ben Nevis, Lochaber, near Fort William in aid of the charity which supports the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, Edinburgh.

Data Centre Technician Jamie Laing, 29, from Dunfermline took part in the event.

He said: "I'm a fundraising volunteer for SKFF and have taken part in a number of different activities to raise funds including running the Edinburgh Marathon for the past few years. It was a tough challenge but was more than worth it, I'm glad our team managed to raise such a fantastic sum"

 Linda Cameron, fundraising assistant at the Sick Kids Friends Foundation, said: "We saw, we trekked and we conquered.

"We made it to the top and back again in about 8 hours with everyone still in one piece thanks to the great guides that accompanied us.

“I would like to thank everyone who took part and everyone who has supported the team by making a donation to the cause. The fund raised will make a big difference to sick children and their families cared for at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, Edinburgh”

The hikers set off on September 24 and hiked to the summit which stands at 1,344 metres (4,408ft) above sea level.

Following the success of the trek the charity is planning another climb in September 2012. For more information on joining the team next year please contact the Sick Kids Friends Foundation.