

# Gordon Aikman's fundraising reaches new heights



Motor Neurone Disease (MND) patient and campaigner Gordon Aikman has smashed the £300,000 mark in his bid to fund research into a cure for the disease.

With a flurry of donations made during MND Awareness Week Aikman's fundraising total has gone over £300,000.

Together with MND Scotland, Gordon has been campaigning for a law change so that the 80-95% of MND patients who lose their voice are guaranteed the equipment they need to communicate.

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The First Minister announced that she was "keen" to see communication aids – such as eye-gaze technology and speech synthesisers – "routinely" available on the NHS.

In the recent Queen's 2015 Birthday Honours it was announced that Gordon was to receive a British Empire Medal and also an honorary degree from the University of Edinburgh.

**MND patient, campaigner and founder of [GordonsFightback.com](http://GordonsFightback.com), Gordon Aikman, said:**

"This is just amazing!

"I would like to say a massive thank you to each and every one of the 4,220 people who have now donated to Gordon's Fightback.

"Seeing my fundraising total continue to climb gives me such a massive boost. It helps keeps me going, but most important of all it means we are closer than ever to the day we find a

cure.

“It might be too late for me, but we can and we must find a cure for future generations. So please dig deep and give what you can by texting MNDS85 £5 to 70070 today. Thank you.

“It is time for the UK Government to do its bit too. By doubling the amount of money we spend on MND research as a country we will undoubtedly find that cure faster.”