

## Carillion: Fundraising for Barnardo's



Featured above: Carillion runners in the Barnardo's refreshment tent

### Barnardo's Charity Partnership

Carillion launched a national charity partnership with Barnardo's in December 2013. Throughout 2014 teams from across Carillion have participated in a variety of volunteering and fundraising activities in support of the children's charity.

### Carillion Running Club Conquer the Great North Run – 7<sup>th</sup> September 2014

"Yesterday saw a team of Carillion runners from across the UK meet up to run the 2014 BUPA Great North Run along with 57,000 other runners. On a day ideal for running, an eight strong team including Gary MacAlister, (Great Western Hospital, Swindon), Jeff Scully, Asa Parker, Rob Caffrey, Lee Hargreaves, Tom Birch, Tina Enright and Sharon Stanford all put their best feet forward to complete the 13.1 mile course from Newcastle to South Shields.

For some of the runners this was their first ever half marathon and the nerves were definitely jangling as they all stood at the start line waiting for Lord Coe to fire the gun to start the race. The atmosphere on the day was fantastic, the crowds were as deep as the eye could see and the Red Arrows flypast was something special.

After the race the runners got to meet up in the Barnardo's tent to bask in their achievement and enjoy some well earned refreshments. So far the team has raised **over £3,600** with more donations coming through.

The running club has planned another cross country race for November to continue their fundraising work for Barnardo's."



Featured above: Gary MacAlister, ...and his Great North Run medal