

Story

At midnight on 12th May our family friend Matt Andrews will be enduring an 8 hour obstacle course all to raise money for the Rob Vine trust which funds the Isle of Man Air Ambulance.

This is a charity that is close to our hearts after my Dad, Andy Clarke was rescued by the Air Ambulance in August last year.

My Dad was on holiday on the Isle of Man in August 2017 to watch the Classic bike racing as he is a huge motorbike enthusiast. He took across his own motorbike a Suzuki GT 750 (Kettle) to be able to ride around the island. The last day before returning home to his wife and family. Andy was out on his bike when he was hit by a motorist. He was rescued by the Air ambulance team who saved his life. He was moments away from bleeding to death but due to the quick response of the air ambulance team and their 90 second journey to hospital prevented the worst outcome. Unfortunately due to the nature of his injuries, amputation of his right leg was the only option. Thanks to the Air ambulance he is still here to tell the tale. Andy owns a Model engineering company, his apprentice 'Little Matt' 21 year old Matt Andrews who has worked for the family ran business for 5 years is doing a sponsored 8 hour "Europe's toughest Mudder" obstacle race on May 12th and 13th. It starts at midnight with the aim of doing as many miles possible within the 8 hours. He will have to conquer heights, ice, mud, water and electricution. The money raised will be donated to the Rob Vine fund, which funds the air ambulance on the Isle of Man. This organisation is ran purely on donations and saves hundreds of lives. As Andy is a Husband, Father and Grandfather, we cannot thank the Air Ambulance enough for allowing him to be able to come home to us.

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