

# He did it! Richard completes marathon challenge for tinnitus charity

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38-year-old Richard Delaney from Banbury hopes to complete his first ever marathon as he takes on the Virgin Money Virtual London Marathon on 3 October for the British Tinnitus Association (BTA). The charity is close to his heart as they helped him manage his tinnitus, a debilitating condition that affects around 75,000 adults in Oxfordshire alone, and one in eight people across the UK.

Richard shared "This has been an amazing journey. A year ago I was struggling to cope with my tinnitus and couldn't see a way forward and now I've completed a marathon. Bring on next year!"

The British Tinnitus Association's vision is "A world where no one suffers from tinnitus" which Richard fully supports. He shared "I ran the marathon to raise awareness that the BTA is there to help people like myself who have this horrendous condition and to raise as much money as possible." As well as offering support for people living with tinnitus right now via their free helpline, web chat service and online events, the BTA are also one of the largest tinnitus research funders in the UK.

The BTA's Fundraising Officer Jess Pollard commented "What an amazing achievement! We're so grateful that Richard took on the marathon challenge to make sure we can continue to be there for people in need. Thank you, Richard!"

Please help Richard celebrate his feat by donating at <u>justgiving.com/fundraising/r-delaney</u>, or email <u>fundraising@tinnitus.org.uk</u> take part in your own challenge.

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#### **About the British Tinnitus Association**

The British Tinnitus Association is an independent charity and the primary source of information for people with tinnitus. It helps to facilitate an improved quality of life for people with tinnitus through a range of support options including support groups, a helpline and its website, while also taking steps to bring forward the day when tinnitus is cured. The charity works to inform and educate medical professionals and the community on what tinnitus is and how to manage it. The British Tinnitus Association wants "a world where no one suffers from tinnitus". It wants to find better ways to manage tinnitus and, ultimately, to help find a cure. In 2020, the publication of its Tinnitus Manifesto led to more than 120,000 people signing a petition for more funding for tinnitus research to find cures.

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