



News release

## **Golfing legend is star attraction at EnQuest charity event**

Legendary golfer Bernard Gallacher pitched up at the world-famous Fairmont course in St Andrews today (Friday, June 20) to help over 150 players from across the energy industry tee up for charity.

The Scots golfing star and his wife Lesley were guests of honour at the annual charity event organised by EnQuest, the largest UK independent producer in the UK North Sea, while former Open champion Paul Lawrie also chipped in with a personal video message.

All proceeds from the event, which raised an incredible £54,000 last year, will be divided equally between EnQuest's two nominated charities the Paul Lawrie Foundation and Archway, and Bernard Gallacher's defibrillator campaign, Play Golf – Help Save Lives.

Former Ryder Cup captain, Bernard Gallacher, said: "Events like EnQuest's golf day are a great opportunity to raise awareness about how a defibrillator can give someone who suffers a cardiac arrest more than a 50% chance of survival. Without a defib, this number falls drastically to 5%, so it really is a life-saving piece of equipment."

Mr Gallacher set up his nationwide Play Golf - Help Save Lives campaign after suffering a cardiac arrest last August during a dinner reception in Aberdeen. He credits the availability of an automated external defibrillator (AED) along with early-response CPR treatment at the venue for saving his life. As such, the aim of his campaign is to ensure every club or driving range in the UK and Ireland has at least one public access AED by the end of 2014.

Among the many charitable gestures made at EnQuest's golf day was the donation of 10 defibrillators by global safety training and offshore services specialist, Falck Safety Services, which will be sold on the day as part of the fund-raising efforts.

The donation was particularly poignant because Falck Safety Services' managing director, Colin Leyden, was among the team of people to go to Mr Gallacher's aid when he took ill at the Marcliffe Hotel and Spa.

Mr Leyden said: "If the hotel not had an AED, the story would be very different – it was key in saving Bernard's life. As a company that is dedicated to ensuring the best health, safety and environmental practices across a wide range of industries, we whole-heartedly support the Play Golf - Help Save Lives campaign and EnQuest's fund-raising, which will see a number of defibrillators being gifted to golf clubs in the North-east of Scotland."

Teams from more than 31 companies took part in EnQuest's charity golf day which has become so successful that places for today's tournament were snapped up within three days of the event being announced.

Neil McCulloch, president, North Sea, at EnQuest, said: “The commitment and support we continue to receive from both regular and new players alike is tremendous and through their personal generosity, as well as that of the companies they work for, and our event sponsors we’re able to raise an amazing amount of money, all of which stays in the North-east of Scotland.”

The Paul Lawrie Foundation was initially set up by the golf star to help give youngsters from all backgrounds across Aberdeen City and Shire the opportunity to play and compete in golf. Since then, the Foundation has grown to support a number of other sports such as football, tennis, swimming and snooker.

Mr Lawrie, who was unable to attend the event as he is currently playing in the Irish Open in Cork said: “We are very grateful to all those lending their support to this major charitable event. The funds raised will go a long way to giving youngsters in the North-east the chance to experience sports that would otherwise be out of their reach.”

Aberdeen-headquartered EnQuest also supports Archway, for which it has already raised more than £120,000 over the last two years.

Archway provides a lifeline of caring services for children and adults with learning disabilities and their families throughout Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire. All monies raised by EnQuest for Archway have gone towards its appeal for Betty’s Place, a specially-adapted holiday cottage that the charity aims to build in the Aberdeen area.

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### **Notes to Editors:**

EnQuest is the largest UK independent producer in the UK North Sea. EnQuest PLC trades on both the London Stock Exchange and the NASDAQ OMX Stockholm. It is a constituent of the FTSE 250 index. Its operated assets include the Thistle, Deveron, Heather, Broom, West Don, Don Southwest, Conrie, Kittiwake, Mallard, Gadwall, Goosander and Grouse producing fields and the Alma/Galia and Kraken developments; EnQuest also has an interest in the non-operated Alba producing oil field. EnQuest had 31 UK production licences at the start of 2014. This increases to 37 production licences with the inclusion of the assets from the acquisition of the Greater Kittiwake Area which completed in Q1 2014 and the Don North East area licence which was offered ‘out of round’ to EnQuest in Q1 2014; these licences cover 47 blocks or part blocks in the UKCS, 30 of the licences are operated by EnQuest.

EnQuest believes that the UKCS represents a significant hydrocarbon basin in a low risk region, which continues to benefit from an extensive installed infrastructure base and skilled labour. EnQuest believes that its assets offer material organic growth opportunities, driven by exploitation of current infrastructure on the UKCS and the development of low risk near field opportunities.

EnQuest has begun replicating its existing model in the UKCS by targeting previously underdeveloped assets in a small number of other maturing regions; complementing our operations and utilising our deep skills in the UK North Sea. In this context, EnQuest also has interests in two blocks offshore Sabah, in Malaysia and a small field risk service contract, offshore Sarawak in Malaysia.

[www.enquest.com](http://www.enquest.com)

### **The Paul Lawrie Foundation**

The Paul Lawrie Foundation (PLF) was launched in 2001; two years after Paul famously won the 1999 Open at Carnoustie. It provides opportunities for juniors of any age to start playing golf, compete at golf and improve their capabilities to the highest level. The mission of the Foundation is to get as many young people playing golf as possible.

[www.paullawriefoundation.co.uk](http://www.paullawriefoundation.co.uk)

### **Play Golf, Help Save Lives**

In August 2013, former Ryder Cup captain, Bernard Gallacher collapsed during a dinner at a hotel on the outskirts of Aberdeen.

Bernard had suffered a sudden cardiac arrest. Fortunately, the hotel had a defibrillator. Thanks to the immediate action of staff with CPR and early life-saving shocks from a defibrillator, he survived. He then went on to make a full recovery and has had an implantable cardioverter defibrillator (ICD) fitted to prevent further cardiac arrests.

Many others are not as fortunate. Each year 100,000 people die from sudden cardiac arrest in the UK, causing more deaths than lung cancer, breast cancer and AIDs combined. CPR and early defibrillation with an AED (automated external defibrillator) can increase sudden cardiac arrest survival from 5% to over 50%.

Drawing on his own personal experience, in partnership with the Professional Golfers' Association and Arrhythmia Alliance, Bernard decided to launch the Bernard Gallacher Defibrillator campaign to support the placement of public-access defibrillators at golf clubs across the UK to ensure that everyone has access to life-saving equipment in the event of a sudden cardiac arrest.

Figures published in a recent survey identified that there were more than 3,000 golf courses and a further 840 independent driving ranges across the UK. These serve more than 4 million people. Currently just 30% of golf clubs have a defibrillator.

It is hoped that thanks to the Bernard Gallacher Defibrillator Campaign every golf club in the UK will have access to a public-access defibrillator by the end of 2014.

[www.defibssavelives.org](http://www.defibssavelives.org)

### **Archway**

Archway was chosen as EnQuest's nominated charity in April 2012, and over £120,000 has been raised since then by EnQuest employees.

Archway is an independent Aberdeen-based charity that provides a lifeline of caring services for children and adults with learning disabilities and their families. Archway makes a huge difference to the children and adults it works with, giving them the care, compassion and support they need to get the most out of life.

**[www.archway.org.uk](http://www.archway.org.uk)**