

## North Devon Journal



# Wilkinson staff raise thousands in aid of Weight Loss Challenger David Tyzack

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WILKINSON staff have raised more than £2,000 in aid of one of this year's weight loss challengers who suffers from a rare disease.

David Tyzack, 21, from Barnstaple, suffers from Wegener's granulomatosis, a form of vasculitis which, if not treated, can kill within months.



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**FUNDRAISERS:** David Tyzack with Wilkinson staff who raised thousands for Vasculitis UK.

David was diagnosed with the incurable illness last year and was put on steroids as treatment.

Him and his family have received support from charity Vasculitis UK.

David's mum, Barbara Tyzack, said: "They were always at the end of the phone when you needed to talk or to explain what the next stage of treatment would be.

"They are still doing a lot of research to try and find cures so the more money we can collect the better."

To show their support for David, staff at Wilkinson, where David's mum works, raised a total of £2,037 for the charity.

Staff members Darren, Terry, Tony and Nick did a coast to coast cycle ride, raising £1,105.85 while a sofa suite donated by Furniture Warehouse raised £550.

The additional money was raised by hosting skittles matches and with charity boxes.

David took part in the Journal's Weight Loss Challenge to lose some of the weight he put on when he started taking steroids. He lost a total of 47lb over 16 weeks.