



# Ricky goes platinum

**ARRIVA North West area manager Ricky Halsall has won a Platinum Arriva Community Action Award for his efforts.**

He is one of more than 30 Arriva employees across the UK to receive the award.

Ricky is no stranger to charity work, and over the past four years – in addition to his Sahara Desert and Great Wall of China expeditions – has supported the MS Trust by organising a whole host of charity events.

Recent highlights have included a golf day, a charity black tie ball and a 60s night.

Phil Stone, managing director, Arriva North West, presented Ricky with his award which includes a donation of £2,000 to the MS Trust.

Ricky said: "I am over the moon that Arriva has recognised my fundraising efforts. The £2,000 donation will push my total up to around £17,000 this year, with £5,000 from previous years, totalling £22,000 – which is beyond what I was expecting to achieve.

"I'd like to thank friends and colleagues who have continued to support me throughout my fundraising, and look forward to organising more charity events throughout 2010."

**By DANIELLE MANNING**

The Arriva Community Action Awards scheme aims to help recognise the valuable contribution that employees make to their local communities through voluntary work.

The Awards are open to all Arriva employees across the UK, including those who work in their spare time for a charity or non profit making organisation for the benefit of the local community. Groups of employees who have undertaken a special project to help or raise funds for the community, an organisation or charity are also invited to apply.

Phil Stone said: "We work to positively contribute to the communities that we operate in. Our awards scheme recognises the contribution that our employees make to their local community in their own time, outside of work.

"We have lots of employees that find the time and energy to support local initiatives and charities so it is great to be able to officially recognise their efforts and provide them with some practical, financial support."