

Charity Run - Dusseldorf

Thursday 18th June 2009



On Thursday 18th June 2009, Berenberg Dusseldorf looked as though they were ready for a race. That's because this year, for the first time, we decided to be active to support BerenbergKids. As we wanted the event to have a regional feel for potential donors, we chose the KidSwing project of the charity D. Groenemeyer (brother of famous German singer) in Bochum. The aim of KidSwing is to provide golf as a method of therapy and integration for ill and disabled children. The charity required more funds in order to be able to buy expensive equipment such as special wheelchairs and golf clubs. To encourage our clients to sponsor us for the race, we sent letters out in advance to a select number of clients detailing the project.

At 18.00 all Berenberg employees were ready. Dressed in our white BerenbergKids T-Shirts, we had a group photo in the grounds of the Berenberg office.



The team gathered at the start of the first Dusseldorf run to embark upon their fundraising activity.

At 19.00 the start gun was fired and the nine Berenbergers set off on their 6.5km race. The non runners cheered loudly from the sidelines. After about an hour, all participants reached the finish line.

On the whole, our first BerenbergKids was a success: all runners completed the course, the whole team embraced the fundraising and the total amount raised was astounding. Our original target to raise approx. EUR 3,000 was enormously surpassed. We are pleased to announce that we raised in excess of EUR 19,900 for the KidSwing project. With this sum, the organisation can buy a new special wheelchair 'Paragolfer' and a few golf clubs especially adapted for disabled children.

Xenia Jahr und Daniela Hauptmann

Participants: Karsten Winter, Michael Lüddemann, Christoph Wichern, Nicolas Pilz, Tilo Croonenberg, Dirk Flinkenflügel, Bettina Jennewein, Raymund Scheffler, Daniela Hauptmann

Supporters: Thomas Römer, Claudia Keupgen, Xenia Jahr, Silke Hünseler

