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Patron-sponsored Royal Marines veteran reaches South Pole solo

Patron Capital is proud to congratulate Baz (Barry) Gray, who has reached the South Pole, after skiing solo, unsupported and unassisted, for a gruelling 715 miles over 39 days.

The former British Royal Marines Commando endured some of the harshest conditions on the planet, with extreme cold and wind, dragging an 85kg sled to the South Pole. His incredible achievement was to raise money for children who have lost parents or live with family members suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder.

The first of two extremely gruelling Antarctic challenges, Baz started his journey to the South Pole from the Hercules Inlet on the Ronne Ice Shelf at the end of November 2018. His second challenge, set to commence in November this year, will be to cross the entire Antarctic Continent solo, a staggering journey of 1,600 miles over 90 days. For further information and for those who wish to donate, visit www.challengeantarctica.com.

Keith Breslauer, Managing Director of Patron Capital, said:

“Through our partnership with The Royal Marines Charity we have supported – and been involved in – some epic expeditions to raise awareness and funds to help individuals and families who have suffered from active military service. Baz Gray’s achievement in reaching the South Pole solo is perhaps one of the most amazing yet. The mental and physical resilience he has demonstrated in enduring some of the world’s harshest conditions is an inspiration to us all and we congratulate him on this truly exceptional accomplishment.”

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