

My Sky Dive for Air Ambulance

For quite some time I have had the crazy thought at the back of my mind that I would like to do a Tandem Skydive. So when my daughter was given one for her birthday it seemed like the perfect time to do it with her. She rang Hinton Skydiving Centre and booked us both in for last Friday 13th August, it was our lucky day! After an early start I drove from Henley to my Daughter's near Didcot and we set off together. Her son and my son and his family came along to support us. After an initial briefing we made our way to the plane. The plane climbed to 13,000 feet and the first divers started to jump out. I and my instructor, who was VERY tightly



strapped to my back, were last out. It was the most fantastic, thrilling, exciting and scary moment! I loved every second of it, particularly the freefall part when we fall at about 120 miles per hour. I have a video of my dive so I can relive it over and over again.

It seemed to me to be the perfect opportunity to raise some money for charity so my grandson set up a fund for the Air Ambulance because they save so many people in all sorts of situations and rely entirely on public support. I am very happy to say my target of £500 has been well and truly passed.

I am so pleased I have done it and would love to do it again but I will have to think of the next thrill.