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Dear Rod

Hope you are well, and work continues to keep you out of trouble. I was delighted to receive your recent cheque for £1,210.72 from your generous customers. That means that we have received £2342.18 this year which is fantastic. At the air tattoo this year, I was talking to a lady whose husband died in service leaving her with two young children, the RAFBF were able to help her buy a house, educate her children and she said to me it literally saved her life at the time. I had Goosebumps just listening to her and I know that it will motivate you as much as it does me knowing that every penny really does change lives.

Here at the RAFBF we have had a busy summer season, attending many RAF families' days and air shows. You may have seen we are supporting the RAF sailing team this year that did really well at Cowes. Gemma also held her first ever air show up at East Kirkby where we had some exciting displays and watched the Lancaster taxi. Rosie got 50 of us to do a skydive, even I had to get involved. I managed to successfully launch our first ever thanksgiving service which was a lovely way to combine supporters, staff and beneficiary's to help us celebrate our 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary, so in short there hasn't been a dull minute!

Finally I hope you have had time for a break and I look forward to the next time we can get together. If you have any new ideas, or questions for either Dean or myself then please do not hesitate to contact me via e-mail: [nicola.james@rafbf.org.uk](mailto:nicola.james@rafbf.org.uk) or my mobile 07725 233 292.

Warm wishes

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