



**Spring into Child Cancer Awareness Month!** 

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In the last 40 years thanks to the research funded by CLCRF into childhood cancer, there has been a drastic increase in survival rates.

### **CHAIRMAN'S LETTER**



As Chairman of this wonderful organisation, I am often inspired by those who continually show up to support us. In the year of COVID-19, we have seen adversity overcome as a direct result of the willingness of people choosing to come together to unite for a common cause.

Here at our Foundation, we have seen that same tenacity to come together for the common purpose of curing childhood cancer. Even in this time of a world pandemic we still see you all championing our cause when we need you most. For that our team thank you.

40 years of funding childhood cancer has delivered incredible results in the field of childhood cancer treatment, but the job is not finished. As a small group of parents experiencing the worst times with our children going through childhood cancer treatment, we knew we could not sit around and do nothing.

So, 40 years ago we came together to find the money to start funding research. The kind of research that thankfully has given us the recovery rates of nearly 80% in some childhood cancers. But how can we be satisfied with that when there are so many more children suffering. Our passion has not dwindled over those 40 years, it has kept us all with that singular desire, to fund a cure for all childhood cancer.



That is why our volunteer board is still fighting to deliver those funds to our researchers right here at the Telethon Kids Institute. It's why most of our board have been with us for almost all the 40 years.

I am proud of the legacy we will leave to the next generation of volunteer board members, but we're not finished. Please consider donating, becoming a member or getting behind any of the events we put on for our community so that we can fund this cure together.

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Geoff Cattach, AM Chairman

### BECOME A MEMBER



Our members are critical to the ongoing success of the Foundation. Now more than ever, we rely on this support to ensure we can continue to make a real difference to children with cancer and their families.

CLCRF is a low maintenance, low involvement charitable organisation and, as a member, you can be confident that your financial donation is going towards an important cause.

A membership will only cost you \$11 a year, or you can get the whole family involved for just \$22.

As a member of CLCRF, not only will you be the very first to know the latest news from the Foundation, but you will also receive invitations to exclusive events.

You will also be able to attend the Annual General Meeting where you will have voting rights and receive our annual report.

It's easy to apply for a membership online! All you have to do is head to our website and fill out an application. Alternatively, you can give us a call on (08) 9363 7400 or send an email

to admin@childcancerresearch.com.au.



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# **GO GOLD** FOR CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month, a time where the whole world puts the spotlight on children's cancer and the need to improve diagnosis, treatment and outcomes.

You can help the Foundation raise urgent awareness for childhood cancer research by going gold! Gold is the international colour of childhood cancer awareness, chosen in recognition of strength, courage and resilience.

You can show your support for all children and their families fighting cancer, by simply wearing a gold ribbon purchased from CLCRF. Or create your own ways of "Going Gold" to highlight the importance of this month. Our combined efforts will not only raise incredibly important awareness of this disease but it can improve future outcomes for children diagnosed with cancer!

If you would like to go gold, you can purchase a gold ribbon or packet of sunflower seeds from the CLCRF office at 3/100 Hay Street, Subiaco WA 6008. A packet of sunflower seeds includes a ribbon and costs just \$5 each and a gold ribbon alone can be purchased with a gold coin donation.

Alternatively, you can give us a call on (O8) 9363 7400 or send an email to admin@childcancerresearch.com.au and we can arrange to post some out to you and your workplace.



#### **NEWS**

# **REMEMBERING DR MICHAEL WILLOUGHBY AM**





On Tuesday 23 June, Dr Michael Willoughby AM sadly passed away at his home at the age of 92.

Dr Willoughby is survived by his beloved wife of 53 years, Fiona; his sons Jonathan, James, and Henry; daughters-in-law Coralie, Thu, and Lucy; and grandchildren Thomas, August, Inigo, Jasmine, Massimo, Elodie, and Aidan.

Dr Willoughby was an incredible doctor and a pioneer in bone marrow transplants. He was the head of Oncology at Princess Margaret Hospital when our Chairman, Geoff Cattach's son Brent needed a bone-marrow transplant.

"He said if we don't go now, we may never get this chance again," remembers Geoff. 'My son wouldn't be alive today, if he hadn't," said Geoff.

A true talent, the chance to work with Dr Willoughby had been one of the major factors that lured Professor Ursula Kees to Perth.

"We lose a visionary, years ahead of his time," said Professor Kees. "The children in Western Australia had the best and most cutting-edge treatments."

On behalf of The Foundation, we would like to express our heartfelt condolences to Dr Willoughby's family. He was an incredible man and we will never forget the important work he did for the children of Western Australia. Rest in peace.

Dr Michael Willoughby AM (4/8/1927 – 23/6/2020)



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## A MOTHER'S PLEA FOR CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS

September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month, and no one knows more about the importance of raising awareness for the gruelling disease than the families who have been personally affected by it.

Kerrin Hampson is a mother that knows the struggles of childhood cancer all too well, with her son Marley being diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukaemia when he was just 15 months old. Because of her family's experience, Kerrin is now an ambassador for the Foundation and is passionate about raising awareness for the disease and the need to find better treatments.

"Raising awareness is like stacking dominoes and knocking them down. Each one hitting the next, hopefully gaining momentum," said Kerrin. "I had lived an entire life without knowing a child who had cancer...and then Marley. I had zero awareness."

> Marley is now 10 years old and he finished his cancer treatment in September 2013. "Understanding the privilege I have in the fact that my son is a survivor because of research drives me to make people aware and raise funds for more research," explained Kerrin.

Although his treatment has ended, Marley is still experiencing the side effects from the harsh treatments he endured, including cognitive and executive functioning issues. "Awareness is vital, and the first step in funding research into child specific cancers," expressed Kerrin. "Treating kids with chemotherapy designed for adults leaves approximately 80% with some kind of side effect, some fatal."

By continuing to fund the important research into childhood cancers, CLCRF hopes to make a real difference in the lives of future generations of children as we find more effective and less invasive treatments.

"Only 3% of government funding for cancer research in Australia goes towards children. That's not good enough. There are so many promising treatments in the pipeline that relies on funding."

There are many ways you can help us spread awareness for childhood cancer in September and beyond. You may wish to help us by selling our merchandise, leaving us a small gift in your Will, getting involved in workplace giving, sharing our posts on Facebook, or creating your own fundraising event. If you have any queries or would like more information, simply send an email to admin@childcanceresearch.com.au or call us on (O8) 9363 7400.

By continuing to raise awareness and funds for childhood cancer research, you can help to ensure more children can go on to live the lives they deserve.

## GRAB A BURGER AND SUPPORT CHILDHOOD CANCER RESEARCH!

CLCRF has been selected to participate in Grill'd Subiaco's Local Matters initiative this October!

Local Matters is the Grill'd community donation program that began in 2011 as a way for the restaurant to give back, help strengthen, and support the communities that have always supported them.

Each month, in every Grill'd restaurant, there are three jars representing three different community groups for customers to support. With every burger ordered, a Local Matters token is handed over for customers to drop into the jar of their choice. At the end of the month, \$500 is split between the community groups, with the jar with the most tokens receiving a \$300 donation and the other two each receiving a \$100 donation.

We would love your support in receiving the \$300 donation! All you need to do is head to Grill'd Subiaco during October and pop your Local Matters token into our jar when you order a burger. It's a simple (and delicious) way to show your support for childhood cancer research!



# **START MAKING CHANGE FROM 1 OCTOBER**



When it comes to recycling, Western Australians will soon have the chance to make real change. Containers for Change is a WA recycling scheme starting on 1 October that lets you cash in eligible containers for 10 cents each.

The mission of this wonderful initiative is to increase recycling and reduce the number of drink containers that litter our environment. In WA, we use more than 1.3 billion eligible drink containers each year; enough drink containers to line a path from Perth to Broome 42 times.

Not only does Containers for Change aim to help the environment, but it also aims to provide benefits for community groups by providing supporters with an easy way to donate container refunds.

CLCRF are thrilled to be a part of this initiative, which gives you the exciting opportunity to support childhood cancer research and the environment. All you need to do is go to your nearest refund point and quote our Containers for Change Scheme ID when

returning your containers.

#### Our Scheme ID is C10285275

With 200 Containers for Change refund points opening for business in WA on October 1, there is sure to be one near you! You can find your local refund point by heading to **www.containersforchange.com.au/wa** 





# AN UPDATE FROM TELETHON KIDS INSTITUTE

The Telethon Kids Cancer Centre is just one component of Telethon Kids Institute, Western Australia's largest medical research institute. In addition to cancer research, the institute is home to world-leading infectious disease, respiratory, clinical trials researchers and epidemiologists who have become an integral part of the scientific global response to COVID-19.

The researchers at the institute are currently searching for lifesaving answers to SARS-CoV-2 and COVID-19, with projects including randomised clinical trials of drugs to save lives and contain the spread, mapping and tracking virus transmission in schools and the community, and reducing the long-term impact of the pandemic on families.

You can learn more about all of Telethon Kids Institute's COVID-19 research projects at www.tacklingcovid19.org. au



The current pandemic highlights how health research has never been more important than it is right now. This is true for COVID-19 and it is true for childhood cancer. At Telethon Kids Institute, researchers have spent 30 years asking "why?" and are committed to seeking new solutions to help children suffering from disease or disadvantage.

The Children's Leukaemia & Cancer Research Foundation are so honoured to be able to fund childhood cancer research projects at Telethon Kids Institute, helping to make their important work possible.



#### Current research projects CLCRF funds at Telethon Kids Institute include:

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| Title:<br>Researcher: | Novel Therapeutics for Children with Leukaemia: Understanding and Targetin<br>Microenvironment<br>Dr Laurence C Cheung and Dr Rishi S Kotecha | ng the Bone Marrow  |
| Title:<br>Researcher: | To develop new tools to identify cancer cells resistant to current therapy and destroy them<br>Dr Sebastien Malinge                           | test a new drug therapy to                                |
| Title:<br>Researcher: | A new treatment to prevent sarcoma relapse after surgery<br>Dr Joost Lesterhuis   | TELETHON<br>KIDS<br>INSTITUTE<br>Discover. Prevent. Cure. |
| Title:<br>Researcher: | Development of a new drug designed to only kill brain cancer cells<br>Professor Terrance Johns  |   |
| Title:<br>Researcher: | Using old drugs to make current brain cancer treatments better<br>Professor Terrance Johns  |   |

# SUPPORT OUR RIDERS AT THIS YEAR'S SOUTH WEST BIKE TREK!

This year, we want to raise as much money as possible at our CLCRF South West Bike Trek, so we are getting behind all of our riders to help each of them smash their own fundraising goals! Below we have listed just some of the riders participating in this year's event, as well as their reasons for supporting the cause, and how to help them fundraise.



#### Julie & Peter

Cycling is our way of keeping our friendships alive, it's what brings us together. Peter and I recently celebrated our 43rd wedding anniversary and we enjoy riding together with friends that love the adventure. We did this event last year and had a ball, it was so relaxed, and we made some great friendships along the way. We know people who have battled through childhood cancer and we want to do everything in our power to help fundraise for research - that's why we chose the Southwest Bike Trek.

The important work that Children's Leukaemia and Cancer Research Foundation does is why we need to raise as much money as possible this year. Please consider supporting our efforts so that children who need the help can get it.

#### Julie and Peter's fundraising page: http://bit.ly/swbt-julie-peter



#### Patrick

I'm a first-year rider and very keen to get this challenge completed. I've participated in the dinners for the past 6 years through the local Lions club and have been inspired by all the stories that people share. I admire Geoff Cattach for his dedication to childhood cancer research and his 40 years of volunteering for CLCRF. I am riding for my sister who passed in 2014 and all of the children that suffer from this terrible disease.

More funding means more research, which means better outcomes for children. Please consider supporting me to help those children.

Patrick's fundraising page: http://bit.ly/swbt-patrick



#### Paula

This should be my second year riding in the Southwest Bike Trek except that last year, two weeks before the ride, I broke my arm so was unable to participate. I have been training for a full year to make sure that I will be ready this year and I can't wait. My sister passed away a few years ago from Leukaemia and it affected me greatly, so I wanted to do something to help children who battle this terrible disease. They inspire me every day when I ride my 30 – 40 kms to train.

Please help me raise lots of money for research as it's the only way we can get rid of this dreadful disease. Thankyou in advance for your generosity, it means a lot!

Paula's fundraising page: http://bit.ly/swbt-paula



#### Nickie

I'm excited to make this my first Southwest Bike Trek. I have heard so many good stories about how the event is run and the relationships we can build along the way. I'm looking forward to doing this with some of my friends this year because this cause is very close to my heart and I'm inspired by the work of the Children's Leukaemia & Cancer Research Foundation. I want to throw lots of support behind them by raising as much money as I can.

Please can you help me and spread the word by sharing my page with your friends and family. Thank you in advance for your generosity, it means a lot!

Nickie's fundraising page: http://bit.ly/swbt-nickie



#### Teresa

I completed the Southwest Bike Trek in 2019 and had an amazing time with so many wonderful people, I knew I had to come back in 2020. I wanted to do this because a very dear friend of mine lost a grandchild to brain cancer. He was diagnosed at age 3 and passed away age 7. It was the saddest funeral I have ever been to and I wanted to do something to help future children so that they don't have to go through this terrible disease.

I hope to raise as much money for CLCRF as I can. Please help me raise my tally.

#### Teresa's fundraising page: http://bit.ly/swbt-teresa



#### Doug

2020 is my fifth year returning to ride in the Southwest Bike Trek. 2 years ago, I had open heart surgery, but I've realised that this shouldn't stop us from doing the things that are most important. For me, supporting this event, which I believe is a really great cause, is a no brainer. Childhood cancer is extremely emotional for a lot of people and some very close to me. So, I'm riding for those people who can't. I hope you can support me and help me raise my total this year.

Kids with cancer don't have a choice, and we have a choice, to keep going rain hail or shine.

Doug's fundraising page: http://bit.ly/swbt-doug

>> To see the full list of riders participating in this year's bike trek, head to www.swbiketrek.com.au.



After having huge success in previous years, we are so excited for the CLCRF South West Bike Trek to return in 2020!

This year will be the 18th CLCRF Bike Trek to raise funds for childhood cancer research. It is set to commence on Sunday 11 October launching from South Perth foreshore and it will finish in Augusta on Saturday 17 October.

This community run event is being organised by well-seasoned bike trek co-coordinator and CLCRF member, Eric Maddock, with the help of Lions and Rotary Clubs. CLCRF will be helping those riders who register by September 4 with fundraising support this year! With only 15 riders allowed, due to COVID-19 safety requirements, we want to help them raise an incredible amount of money.

The South West Bike Trek is a charity bike ride that isn't a race, but all riders must be able to ride at approx. 22kph for a full day, although this will surely challenge any seasoned rider. The group will work together to ensure each other's wellbeing and



this event has proven to be one for the memory books.

Last year the Southwest Bike Trek raised an incredible \$35,901 for the Foundation and this year we are hoping to reach \$40,000 or more because it's our 40th Anniversary year!

#### Costs:

There is a daily cost of \$40 which covers meals, accommodation, fuel and other expenses. If you participate in the entire ride Sunday to Saturday it's a total of \$190, and you will be provided with a jersey. For those participating for only one or two sections, there will be a cost involved to receive the jersey.

#### Fundraising:

The sponsorship minimum that is required but not limited to, is \$350 if you wish to take part in the entire bike trek or \$100 for one section/day. We recommend setting up a fundraising page on www.everydayhero.com to assist with your fundraising. This will take all the hassles out of following up and handling money. This year CLCRF are getting behind our riders with lots of attention to help you fundraise. Records could be broken!

#### Criteria:

You must have a reasonable level of fitness and maintain a pace of at least 22km per hour for the whole day. The minimum age is 18 years, unless a parent or guardian signs a disclosure for you to participate.

If you want to have a great cycling experience and explore the beautiful South West, while raising money for child cancer research, please contact Eric Maddock on 0433 905 703 or email swbiketrek@gmail.com.



swbiketrek.com.au





# LEAVE A GIFT OF HOPE FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS

We understand and respect that family comes first when it comes to considering your Will, but it is also a great opportunity to make a lasting impact.

By including a gift to the Children's Leukaemia & Cancer Research Foundation (CLCRF) in your Will, you can help us ensure the ground-breaking research into childhood cancer can continue for many years to come, bringing hope to all children battling the gruelling disease.

Anyone can leave a Gift in Will, however large or small, and it is a relatively quick and easy process. You can leave money, property or a percentage of your estate after your death; and with it your legacy for the future. Leaving a Gift in your Will allows you to support your favourite cause, or causes, beyond your lifetime and it ensures that there is a legal document outlining your wishes. This should give you the peace of mind that you are not only planning ahead for those you care for, but you will also be generously helping to make a positive difference in the community.

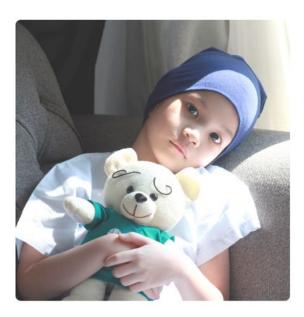
As the Foundation does not receive State or Federal funding, we rely on the generous support of the community to help us in our commitment to see future generations live cancer free.

For further information or to advise us that you have included Children's Leukaemia & Cancer Research Foundation in your Will – in the strictest confidence – please contact us on (08) 9363 7400 or email admin@childcancerresearch.com.au.



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to be able to offer you 50% off your bespoke Will through Safewill during the month of September! This means you can write your own individual Will for just \$95, instead of the usual \$190.

To get started, all you need to do is head to www.safewill.com/childcancerresearch and your discount will be applied automatically.

If you wish to include a gift to CLCRF in your Will, Safewill has made it easier than ever for you to do so. The platform allows you to split your estate and leave specific gifts to the people or charities who matter most to you.

Giving just 1% of your estate as a gift to the Foundation makes a huge difference and will help us to continue our vital scientific research into childhood cancers well into the future. For further information, simply head to www.safewill.com/childcancerresearch. Should you wish to receive one of our bequest leaflets, feel free to contact our office by sending an email to admin(a) childcancerresearch.com.au or you can give us a call on (08) 9363 7400.

### Make a cure for childhood cancer part of your legacy



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The goal of this campaign was to spread kindness and bring some joy into the lives of people who deserve it. To make this possible, some amazing Australian businesses jumped on board by generously donating gifts that we were able to put up for grabs. We asked our supporters to nominate someone they know and share with us why they think they deserve it. We then read through all of the nominations and chose the nominee we believed to be most worthy of each gift.

Congratulations to everyone who received any of the incredible gifts that were on offer! There were so many deserving recipients and choosing just one winner for each gift was not an easy task. Thank you to every single person who submitted a nomination and shared their stories, and the stories of people they know, with us. By simply submitting a nomination, you helped us spread some much-needed kindness during these crazy and uncertain times.

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- Charlesworth Ballet Institute
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- Dinner Twist
- Entertainment Publications
- Galati & Sons
- Giovanetti Firewood Bunbury

- Grand Cinemas
- GT Fabrications
- Indian Ocean Hotel
- Justin Langer and the Australian Cricket Team
- Kindy Dance Time
- Leederville Cameras
- LifeNet (WA)
- Mondo Doro
- My Foodie Box
- Naked Wines
- No Probs Plumbing and Gas
- Onya

- Poppy's Flowers
- Pullman Bunker Bay Resort in Margaret River
- Roberto Fine Foods
- Selleys
- Skin Review
- Sony Pictures Australia
- Springfree Trampoline
- The Garden Gurus
- The McLaurin Family
- This Little Pig Went to Market
- Toolmart
- Westral

We had so much fun rewarding so many of our supporters with some well-deserved gifts. We couldn't think of a better way to celebrate our anniversary!



#### **40K IN 40 DAYS**

### WELL-DESERVED PRAISE FOR CLCRF VOLUNTEER!

Long-time supporters of CLCRF may have seen Jonelle volunteer at one of our many events over the years. She has been a very loyal supporter of the Foundation, and, during our 40kin40days campaign, we were thrilled to see Jonelle receive the praise and attention she deserves.

With a number of extremely heartfelt and moving nominations, Jonelle was chosen as the very deserving winner of a brandnew trailer full of half a tonne of firewood. This incredible gift was kindly donated by GT Fabrications and Giovanetti Firewood Bunbury.

Each nominator commended Jonelle as an amazing and strong woman who has experienced her fair share of adversity. Jonelle lost her husband to pancreatic cancer 3 years ago and has been raising her two teenaged children alone. Jonelle's youngest child is autistic and requires continuous attention and she is also a constant support for her mum, helping her with many of her daily chores.

"She is a selfless person that gives endlessly to others," said one nominator. "She is dedicated to her family and friends and is constantly giving to others and receiving very little for herself."

"I admire her strength and courage and the hard work she does for her family," said Jonelle's sister. "She gives her all and I think it's time someone gave to her because she never treats herself." Reading through the nominations, it was not only apparent that Jonelle deserved a gift, but it also became obvious that this was well and truly the perfect gift for her.

"She does all the jobs around the house, continuing to do renos on her own, building brick walls, fences, tiling bathrooms and gathering firewood every winter in an old rusty trailer that is about to have the base full through," said Kristy.

"Her trailer is now in a total state of disrepair and is almost unable to transport goods to and from her house... she is too proud to ask and unable to pay for help," said another nominator.

We are so excited to be able to provide Jonelle with a new trailer and see her get the recognition she deserves. It is stories like Jonelle's that has made our 40kin40days campaign such a success, where the main goal was to spread kindness and bring joy to those who could really use it.





When a child is diagnosed with cancer, the whole family suffers. During our recent 40kin40days campaign, we were introduced to the Anderson family, and learnt first-hand how the gruelling disease can be especially difficult for a child's siblings.

Dan Anderson kindly shared with us the story about how his 10-year-old son Aiden has been affected by his sister Ivy's cancer diagnosis, hoping to bring him some joy by winning him a welldeserved gift.

Ivy was diagnosed with Leukaemia in late May, just five days before her 7th birthday. Understandably, Aiden has struggled to come to terms with how his and his family's life has been turned upside down as a result.

"Aiden appears to bottle things up inside and chooses to distract himself with other activities in these times, but his quietness lets us know he is feeling sad, overwhelmed, or something," said Dan. "His mum and I talk to him often about his little sister and how things are progressing and what to expect, however he rarely shares with us how that makes him feel, at least openly anyway."





### FAT BIKE GOES TO FAMILY WHO WHEELIE DESERVES IT

Dan and his wife recently found out from the mother of one of Aiden's school friends that Aiden had been talking to his best friends about how his sister's illness is making him feel. "It was described that he was very sad," said Dan. "He stated to them that he was depressed and that although he loved school, he no longer wished to attend, instead wanting to be home-schooled so he could be with his family."

"I think he is extremely worried about his little sister and he is hurting inside but does his very best just to plod along and deal with each day as it comes." Despite it being a confusing and difficult time for Aiden, Dan has described his son as a very kind and caring boy. "He really goes out of his way to do the right thing and help others, considering their needs, wants and feelings before his own."

"I am extremely proud of him and the written and verbal feedback we receive consistently about him brings tears of joy and pride to both his Mum and I. Aiden is doing it a bit tough at the moment we feel, we just hope that he has the means and opportunity to let his feelings out so that he can get through this time with us in the best possible way."

Dan nominated Aiden to win a Teng Tools Fat Bike, generously donated to us from our friends at Toolmart. We received a lot of wonderful nominations for this gift but, after reading this touching story, the decision to reward Aiden with the gift was an easy one to make.

Our heart goes out to Aiden and all of the children out there who have a sibling battling cancer. We know it's a hard time for the whole family, but it is important to stay strong and keep hope.

We thank Dan for sharing his family's story and send our love and well wishes to both Ivy and Aiden. We hope the Fat Bike will help bring some much-needed happiness into the Anderson family's life.





### WHEN KINDNESS COMES FULL CIRCLE

Sometimes life comes full circle in the most unexpected ways. This was something we learnt during our 40kin40days campaign, where we encouraged our supporters to join our Circle of Kindness to spread some joy during these uncertain times. By nominating somebody deserving of a gift, they were able to show their kindness to somebody through storytelling.

The winner of the Australian Cricket Team package, which included a meet-and-greet with CLCRF Patron Justin Langer AM, was a young lad named Zane. Being nominated by his father Nathan, is where this unique story begins.

Zane was a foster child who had a tough start to life, and it was because of this beginning that he quickly learnt how acceptance wasn't always going to come easy for him. This was the story that Nathan shared with CLCRF when he nominated Zane as the most deserving to win.

"My son is a foster kid who came from a difficult background. As a 3-year-old, a childcare centre he was attending could not deal with him adequately, and they made it clear to me at the time that he was not welcome," said Nathan. "The same happened at a private school that we thought would be of more benefit with better support. It was clear to us they did not want to deal with the problems either, that came with my foster son Zane."

Zane, fortunately, went on to find the acceptance he deserved at the Rivervale Primary School. A school that Nathan declares has gone above and beyond to cater to young Zane's needs.

Nathan nominated Zane for the Australian Cricket Team package specifically for the meet-and-greet with Justin, saying "It would be a great opportunity for Zane to meet him." Nathan continued, "Justin Langer is a role model in our society and someone who knows about life's challenges."

Zane and Nathan had the pleasure of meeting Justin at the CLCRF head office in early August. "I was pretty confident Zane's knowledge of JL was not as extensive as mine due to his age," said Nathan. "So to be honest, I might have been a little bit

more excited than Zane at first. To give Zane an idea of who Justin Langer was and some of his achievements, I showed him YouTube videos of JL."

Although this was the first time they had met the CLCRF Patron, there was an uncanny connection between their families, formed a few years ago.

Justin's Mum, Joy-Anne, who was diagnosed with ovarian cancer in 2011, sadly lost that six-year battle in 2017. The connection between the families started during this journey of the Langer family. It was actually Zane's grandmother who was in charge of her care towards the end. Zane's grandmother was a kind-hearted carer for Joy-Anne, who aimed to make her last days as comfortable as possible.

Zane's grandmother has a PhD in ovarian cancer, and she was the head of research and education at Solaris Cancer Care, where Justin is also the Patron.

The CLCRF team were blown away to hear of the incredible coincidence during the meet-and-greet with Justin, and it truly brought the reason behind 40Kin40 days Circle of Kindness, full circle.



#### **40K IN 40 DAYS**

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When choosing the deserving winners of our 40kin40days gifts, we came across many people who received multiple nominations from people they know. No one, however, received more votes than a wonderful friend named Kristy.

For one gift alone - the Jumbo Round Trampoline from Springfree Trampoline - Kristy received 10 nominations from 10 different people. This was one of the most popular gifts of the campaign, valued at \$2699, and Kristy was ultimately chosen as the very worthy winner.

Kristy was nominated by her family and friends who all expressed their admiration for how incredible and kind-hearted she is. "Kristy is amazing," said her friend Pat. "She is always there to help people when needed and is a wonderful friend."

"She is such a selfless, hard-working mum who always helps anyone with anything," expressed her other friend Hayley. "If someone needs help building furniture, she is the first one there offering to help. If someone needs help moving, she is there all day until the job is done... she is an integral person to our community, and I hope she gets chosen for this wonderful and deserving prize."

With two young daughters who regularly hang out with their cousins, we know this gift will get some very good use at Kristy's house!





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## AN UPDATE FROM TELETHON KIDS CANCER CENTRE

### **BASED AT TELETHON KIDS INSTITUTE IN PERTH**

Like the rest of the world, the Telethon Kids Cancer Centre experienced disruptions as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. At the beginning of April, laboratory experiments were ramped down to ensure compliance with social distancing requirements and the safety of the teams. During April and May, only minimal lab work was undertaken, with just small vital projects continuing.

The majority of the team at the Telethon Kids Cancer Centre took the opportunity to do what was possible from home – work that is often postponed due to the daily demands of laboratory research. Senior staff wrote manuscripts for journal publications and formulated grant applications to keep future research projects funded; junior staff conducted "bioinformatic" research; and students assisted with writing, drafting their theses, and reviewing current scientific literature.

With the very fortunate COVID-19 situation in Western Australia, laboratory experiments were able to be ramped back up in early June. Now, it is effectively business as usual at the Telethon Kids Cancer Centre.

A sad truth is that more children will die of cancer in a month than will likely die of COVID-19 in the next few years. The Telethon Kids Cancer Centre's mission remains clear, and they are more committed than ever to finding new therapies and cures for children with cancer.



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TABLES OF 10 - \$25 PER HEAD



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# BOOK YOUR TABLE FOR THE 2020 KEEP THE FLAME ALIVE QUIZ NIGHT!

After raising over \$17,000 last year, we are so excited to be bringing our much-loved Keep the Flame Alive Quiz Night back to Perth Football Club on Saturday 14 November!

This annual event never disappoints, with great raffles, a door prize, a silent auction and plenty of fun games. So be sure to gather your brainiest mates, book a table and get ready for a fantastic night out while supporting a great cause.

This year we have a passionate, enthusiastic MC, Sean Fry. He is a huge sports fan and music enthusiast - so please don't ever ask him to sing, because he won't be able to help himself. Outside of MCing Sean works as a mentor for young people with disabilities, a commentator and match reporter for Football West, and runs children's sports programs and team-building events. We think he'll be perfect for our Quiz Night.

Tables of 10 are available for \$250 (\$25 per person), with profits going towards funding important research into childhood cancers.

When: 6:30pm – Saturday 14 November.

Where: Perth Football Club – Lathlain Function Centre (upstairs), Goddard St, Lathlain WA 6100.

Dress: Why not pick a theme for your table and dress up for the occasion? We may even have a prize for the best dressed table!

Food & Drink: BYO snacks for your table - alcohol must be purchased from the venue - No BYO alcohol.

Please note: If COVID-19 restrictions require us to cancel on this date, we will move the event to early 2021 or offer refunds to those who have purchased a table.

CLCRF and the Lathlain Function team have a COVID-19 safety plan to proceed in accordance with the WA Health Dept and State Government requirements in accordance with the Stage applicable on November 14, 2020.

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# SUPPORT US THROUGH REGULAR DONATIONS



Supporting CLCRF with regular ongoing donations is the most cost-effective and convenient way to support childhood cancer research and help us make a difference.

Regular donations enable the Foundation to plan for the future and helps to give us financial stability. By choosing to receive a one-off receipt at the end of each financial year, you are also able to easily keep track of your tax-deductible gifts.

As a regular giver, you will have the choice to make your donations weekly, monthly, quarterly, or at any other interval you want. You can also make regular donations through your workplace, where you can donate to us directly from your pay through regular pre-tax contributions. With workplace giving, all you have to do is nominate the amount you wish to donate each pay cycle and your payroll system will take care of the rest. As a winwin-win for businesses, employees, and charities, it is well worth checking if your company has a workplace giving program in place.

Regular donations, no matter how big or small, help us to ensure our vital funding of childhood cancer research can continue for many years to come.

Email us at admin@childcancerresearch. com.au or give us a call on (08) 9363 7400 to request a donation form and join our family of regular givers.



# **SOCIAL GOOD PAYS OFF**

In this exceedingly difficult COVID-19 year, we are so pleased to see so many generous supporters still giving what they can through Facebook fundraising. In the last financial year alone, an incredible total of \$23,607 was donated to the Foundation!

\$23,607 Raised

In collaboration with the PayPal Giving Fund, Facebook has given users the ability to set up their own fundraisers to support the causes, ideas, or charities they most care about. Facebook also covers all of the processing fees, so, if you are supporting CLCRF, 100% of the funds raised will go directly towards our important work.

We couldn't be more appreciative for the fantastic support we are continuing to receive, even during these unprecedented times. COVID-19 continues to place an enormous strain on funding sources for CLCRF, so it is encouraging to see our supporters take the opportunity to help us in other ways.

Without your support and your willingness to choose us with your Facebook fundraisers, our year might have been even more difficult.

It's incredibly easy to support the Foundation and raise funds for childhood cancer research through Facebook. Simply head to www.facebook.com/fundraisers or click the "Create" button on the top of your Facebook page. Then all you need to do is search for "Children's Leukaemia & Cancer Research Foundation" when asked what charity you would like to donate to.

If you create a Facebook fundraiser for CLCRF, be sure to let us know! Not only would we like to thank you, but we would also love to share it out to as many people as possible to help you smash your fundraising goals.





#### **FUNDRAISING ROUNDUP**

# THANK YOU, PEAACHARITY HELP

We are so thrilled to have Personnel Employed at Alcoa Charity Help (PEACH) support our annual South West Bike Trek once again by covering the cost of \$2,050.50 worth of equipment needed at the event.

PEACH is a trust fund which is administered and funded by Western Australian Alcoa employees, with nearly 1,000 people contributing each month. Since PEACH began in 1979, several millions of dollars have been distributed to so many worthy causes.

With the support of PEACH, Children's Leukaemia and Cancer Research Foundation (CLCRF) have been able to secure 3 two-way radios that will assist with communication, to ensure the safety of the riders during each day's riding. These will replace the current radios that are ineffective and unreliable.

We have also been able to purchase a strobe light to increase the visibility of the event to all other road users. To raise awareness of the event and the Foundation, we have also put the funds towards purchasing banners and a car magnet.

CLCRF are so grateful for the generous support of PEACH. We are confident that the purchase of this equipment will lead to very positive outcomes for our 2020 South West Bike Trek. Not only will it help increase the safety of all riders and event personnel, but it will shine a brighter light on the Foundation and our work.

This year's South West Bike Trek will take place from October 11 – 17. If you are interested in joining this year, you can contact Event organiser Eric Maddock on 0433 905 703 or register online at swbiketrek@gmail.com. Hurry as riders are limited due to COVID-19 restrictions.

### 🔄 \$2,050.50 Raised





### VOLUNTEER GRANT THANKS TO LOCAL MP, CELIA HAMMOND!

We give great thanks to our local Member of Parliament, Celia Hammond, for referring us to the Federal Government's grant programme to support our amazing volunteers. Thanks to her recommendation, we have received a \$4,980 grant which has been put to great use.

With this grant, we were able to purchase video recording equipment and a computer. This will go a long way for our amazing volunteers that come and film our annual events. It will also be of great value to the volunteers that help us film interviews with our ambassadors and treatment families.

These types of video projects are so important for the Foundation, because it gives us a chance to show our supporters who we are, what we do and how your donations are helping to make a real difference.

Thanks to Celia Hammond MP for making this fantastic opportunity possible. We look forward to seeing some great video work from our volunteers as we head into 2021.



#### **FUNDRAISING ROUNDUP**

## JON WANNBERG MAKES HIS BIRTHDAY COUNT

For his birthday this year, long-time supporter of CLCRF, Jon Wannberg, once again asked his family and friends for one of the most meaningful gifts of all – a donation towards childhood cancer research.

Jon set up his own birthday fundraiser on Facebook, allowing people to conveniently and securely make a donation through the social media platform.

"I've chosen this cause in memory of my son, Ricky," said Jon. "And I hope you'll consider this as a way to celebrate his memory with me."

Jon sadly lost Ricky to a brain tumour in 1996 when he was just 5 years old. Since then, he has actively raised funds and awareness for childhood cancer research. He and two other families formed the "3 Boys Legacy" (3BL) research foundation in 1998, in memory of Ricky and 2 of Ricky's friends who lost their battle with the same type of cancer.

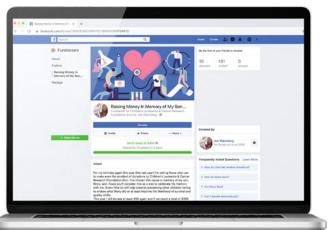
3BL's past fundraising efforts have included art exhibitions and fun runs. Jon also came up with Decembeard and the Februhairy Fun Razor, where we asked men to grow a beard through these months and shave it off to raise money.

For his birthday fundraiser this year, Jon's goal was to reach a total of \$300. It only took 6 days for his friends and family to smash that goal and by the end of the fundraiser, a total of \$932 was raised.

"Every little bit will help towards preventing other children having to endure what Ricky did or at least improve the likelihood of survival and quality of life," said Jon.

We are so appreciative for Jon's generosity and ongoing support. This is the second year that he has decided to create a fundraiser for his birthday.

Have a birthday coming up? Consider creating your own fundraiser on Facebook! Facebook not only offers an easily accessible and uncomplicated way to fundraise, but you can also rest easy knowing all donations are safe and secure. There are also no fees involved, meaning 100% of the funds are distributed to the charity you have selected.



### 🔄 \$932 Raised

All you need to do is click the "create" button on the top of your Facebook page, then select the "Fundraiser" option. When asked what charity you want to donate to, simply search for "Children's Leukaemia & Cancer Research Foundation" and you will see our account.



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The lives of children diagnosed with cancer, and other blood disorders on Ward 1A at Perth Children's Hospital (PCH)



#### **FUNDRAISING ROUNDUP**

### YOUNG BOY SHAVES HEAD TO SUPPORT FRIEND BATTLING LEUKAEMIA





A young boy named Luke, has made a selfless gesture to support his friend who has been diagnosed with a rare form of Leukaemia. After his friend began to lose his hair due to chemotherapy, the last thing Luke wanted was for him to feel embarrassed about it.

The compassionate 11-year-old therefore decided to join his friend and shave his head too. His dad Michael asked him if he wanted a 'number 5' shave first, in case he didn't like it. Luke's response was, "It's not about me and my appearance Dad. I need to do this for my friend."

"Luke's friend would often join in class chats via Zoom" said Michael. "Every time he saw Luke on the screen, he began to smile as Luke stood out amongst his peers."

Luke took his act of kindness even further by asking his family and friends to help him raise money for Children's Leukaemia and Cancer Research Foundation and Perth Children's Hospital so that he could help other sick children. He was able to raise an incredible total of \$512 and donated \$256 to the Foundation.

We would like to thank the young warrior, Luke, for his generous donation and for showing his support for all children battling such a gruelling disease.







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