





#### 1989

Fight Cancer Foundation was formed in 1989 as the Bone Marrow Donor Institute by a small group of families devastated by leukaemia with the mission of establishing a bone marrow registry in Australia. This group's mission was driven by the

fact that Australians with leukaemia or other blood cancers who did not have a match within their families stood little chance of long-term survival unless they

were able to
access
costly
overseas
treatments.

#### 1991

BMDI Leukaemia Family
Support Group is established to
provide non-medical advice
and support for patients,
families and carers. An office
space was built with research
laboratories on campus at
The Royal Melbourne Hospital.



#### 1994

Funded the development of the Rotary Bone Marrow Research Centre in Parkville and gifted to The Royal Melbourne Hospital retaining office and administration space.



#### 1995

BMDI Breast Cancer
Support Group is formed to
provide information and
support for women with
breast cancer.



#### 2001

Established the BMDI
Bone Marrow Transplant
Support Group to provide
support for transplant
patients and their
families.



# "25 years ago, I could never have imagined what we would achieve"

Fay Duncan President





#### 1990

The Australian Bone Marrow Donor Registry

is established, which today has 175,400 Australians registered and is linked to an international database of 10 million potential donors.



#### 1993

A 'Capital Appeal Committee' is launched and raised \$3.5 million to complete the office and purpose-built laboratories project.



#### 1994

The Bone Marrow Research
Laboratory is established to find a
cure for leukaemia and other
blood cancers. Fight Cancer
Foundation is partnering with
The Royal Melbourne Hospital to
support vital research into cancer
treatments and cures through the
Translational Haematological

**Research Laboratory.** 



#### 1996

**The BMDI Cord Blood Bank (CBB)** is established, based at The Royal

Children's Hospital. The BMDI
CBB is a joint initiative of
Fight Cancer Foundation,
RCH and the Murdoch
Childrens Research
Institute and was
established with input
from the Australian Red
Cross. The BMDI CBB
provides 'ready to use'

transplant tissue for patients needing a bone marrow or stem cell transplant who are unable to be matched with a suitable donor.

Today the BMDI CBB is a member of the AusCord network of public cord blood banks together with Queensland and Sydney Cord Blood Banks.



#### 2003

BMDI Rotary House, the

organisation's first
accommodation centre opens in
North Melbourne for regional
patients and their families
needing to access Melbourne's
major treating hospitals. The
Appeal Committee raised \$4m to
establish the accommodation
centre.

#### 2005

Developed education support
programs to assist young children
and teens while they are away from
school during long-term cancer
treatment and recovery. This
innovative program coordinates a
range of educational services using
Information and Communications
Technology to increase the linkage
capacity of students,

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families and schools and support students during their illness and their transition back to school.

## **OUR HISTORY**

2008

Fight Cancer Foundation supports research into ovarian cancer.



2008

The Cord Blood Stem
Cell Research
Laboratory (CBSCRL) is
opened at the Murdoch
Childrens Research
Institute.



2009

**Fight Cancer Back to Work Pilot Program** is developed.



2012

AusCord, Australia's public cord blood bank releases its 1000th cord blood unit for transplantation through Melbourne's BMDI Cord Blood Bank at The Royal Children's Hospital.



2014

The 500th cord blood unit is released from the Melbourne-based BMDI Cord Blood Bank. Since the first cord blood unit was banked in 1996, a further 11,985 cord blood units have now been banked. The BMDI CBB is currently releasing an average of 50 units for transplantation each year.





**2007 Back on Track Program** is launched in Sydney.



"How we have grown and how very, very proud I am to be a part of this charity."

Fay Duncan President



2008

Fight Cancer
Foundation opens
John Opie House in
Hobart for Tasmanian
families needing to
travel to Hobart for
medical treatment.



2010

Fight Cancer Foundation Albury Accommodation Centre Project receives Federal Government support.



2013

Hilltop – Albury Wodonga
Patient and Carer
Accommodation Centre
opens, providing
comfortable low-cost
accommodation for
patients and families from
southern New South Wales
and north-eastern Victoria,
needing to access local
treating hospitals.



The next phase of Fight
Cancer Foundation will see a
growth in regional
accommodation centres,
continued collaboration with
key researchers into
leukaemia and other blood
cancers, young students
achieve their study and life
goals and the growth of new
support services and
programs — always towards
the target of improving
outcomes for people living
with cancer.



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#### **PATRONS IN CHIEF**

Her Excellency Professor The Honourable Dame Marie Bashir AD CVO Governor of New South Wales

The Honourable Alex Chernov AC QC Governor of Victoria

#### PATRONS

Sir Gustav Nossal AC CBE Deborra-lee Furness Hugh Jackman

#### **AMBASSADORS**

David Boon MBE Mark Beretta Simon Marshall

#### **Medical Advisor**

Professor Jeffrey Szer

#### Honorary Lawyers

Corrs Chambers Westgarth

#### **Honorary Accountants**

Moore Stephens

#### HONORARY AUDITORS

PKF Melbourne Lawler Chartered Accountants





twenty five years serving the community

**MISSION:** To give hope and save lives of cancer patients

**OBJECTIVE:** To provide care, treatment and support for cancer patients and their families, fund research into finding a cure, better treatment methods and early detection tests for leukaemia and other forms of cancer.

AIM: To continue to support existing projects whilst broadening the scope of our work to provide support programs for cancer patients in the future.





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LATE CHARGE TRUST IN A GUST

# A MESSAGE FROM FAY DUNCAN & ERIC WRIGHT

#### A YEAR IN REVIEW

2014 has been an exciting and inspirational year which has seen Fight Cancer Foundation achieve some amazing outcomes for cancer patients and their families.

As we celebrate a tremendous year, we also celebrate our 25th Anniversary - 25 extraordinarily wonderful years of providing support services to cancer patients and their families.

Our 2014 fundraisers hit a high note with our signature gala Red Ball at The Palladium at Crown in October and our special Hobart events - Breakfast for Hope at the Hobart Function and Conference Centre and The Little Red Luncheon at

Frogmore Creek Winery, for John Opie House, welcomed many new supporters. The Melbourne Racing Club's Inaugural Charity Race Day at Caulfield Racecourse introduced us to a new group of enthusiasts, our sixth annual Dîner Rouge at Bistro Thierry in Toorak saw an amazing group of people eniov a wonderful degustation menu, our Bendigo supporters organised a Classical Concert and the spirited Riff Raff Club's annual luncheon at Docklands welcomed long-time supporters from the travel industry - all raising vital funds to support our work.

Footy Colours Day is our major national event and attracted

hundreds of thousands of participants from around the country. Our wonderfully supportive Patrons Deborra-lee Furness and Hugh Jackman again provided special experiences for our supporters throughout the year. Hugh welcomed many of his huge fan base to the Australian premiere of X Men: Days of Future Past in May and offered his battle suite from X Men 2 for international auction.

We are delighted that our patient and carer accommodation centre in Albury, Hilltop, was officially dedicated by The Honourable Jillian Skinner MP, NSW Minister for Health in February.

In September, the BMDI Cord Blood Bank celebrated the release of the 500th cord blood unit for life saving transplant for patients with leukaemia, immune defects, marrow failure and a variety of genetic disorders and welcomed back many of those who were integral in establishing this vital resource.

We continue our work with the wonderful dedication of our Patrons, Ambassadors, volunteer board members and associate board members, office staff, corporate supporters and the selfless volunteers who are fundamental to our success. Thank you to our regular financial

donors who continue to support our work and enable us to achieve our vision of giving hope and saving lives of those living with cancer.



#### THE FAY DUNCAN STORY

"I was part of a small group of concerned parents with the aim of establishing a bone marrow donor registry." says Fay.

"I became involved when my best friend's daughter was diagnosed with leukaemia and at that time there were few treatment options. There was no bone marrow donor registry in Australia, in fact there were very few in the world. Together with a group of committed parents, we made it our mission to establish a donor registry in Australia.

"Now, we are celebrating 25 years of providing hope and a second chance of life to patients living with cancer."

The Australian Bone Marrow Donor Registry was established in direct response to a community need. Fay served on the organising committee and developed the first volunteer branch in Camberwell and the volunteer branch and recycle shop in Geelong. Other volunteer branches quickly followed which was at the time, the organisation's lifeline in raising funds and recruiting potential donors.

In 1991 Fay played the leading role in assuming responsibility for a project to build office space and research laboratories. The 'Capital Appeal Committee'

ultimately raised more than \$3.5m to complete this project in 1993. Today the Rotary Bone Marrow Research Centre is home to Fight Cancer Foundation with the laboratory space gifted to The Royal Melbourne Hospital.

The BMDI Cord Blood Bank — another vital community project, was established in 1997 to provide transplant tissue for patients needing a bone marrow or stem cell transplant who are unable to be matched with a suitable donor. Fay served on the committee which raised more than \$2.3m.

In 2001, Fay chaired a steering committee to establish the viability

of a new education support program to assist students while they are away from school during long-term cancer treatment. Today this successful program supports students in Sydney and Melbourne during their illness and their transition back to school.

During this period Fay also served on the 'Accommodation Centre Appeal Committee' to provide low cost accommodation for patients and their families who must relocate from regional areas to be near major treating hospitals. The Appeal Committee raised \$4m to establish BMDI Rotary House in North Melbourne in 2003, followed

by John Opie House in Hobart in 2008 and Hilltop in Albury in 2013.

Fay has been Chairman of Fight Cancer Foundation's signature gala event, the Red Ball for many years, which has raised millions of dollars for cancer research and support services and in 2014 celebrated its 22nd gala event. Her amazing support was acknowledged at the Red Ball where guests were surprised and delighted with a special appearance by Deborralee Furness with a moving tribute to her mum.

Fay's entrepreneurial talent has assisted in raising the profile and awareness of Fight Cancer



vears of providing hope and a second chance of life to patients living with cancer.

Fay Duncan

Foundation and her generosity, support and loyalty over the past 25 years, has been one of the organisation's greatest strengths and is sincerely appreciated by the Board of Directors and the thousands of Fight Cancer Foundation's supporters.

"I had the honour of being recognised by the prestigious Columbia University Medical Center in New York in March 2013 for work we had undertaken over many years into improving the lives of patients with leukaemia and other blood cancers.

"I was also delighted to be honoured in New York by the United States-based Gabrielle's Angel Foundation at their annual Angel Ball in October 2013 as a tribute to our many years of hard work in developing and delivering vital support programs and funding major research projects for cancer patients and their families.

"In March 2014, I was privileged to be inducted into the Victorian Honour Roll of Women by the Premier, The Hon. Dr Denis Napthine. This was a huge surprise and a wonderful honour to be included with such an amazing diversity of compassionate and committed Victorian women.

Fight Cancer Foundation has developed an extensive network

of supportive volunteers, including our Patrons Deborra-lee Furness and Hugh Jackman who play a key role in promoting Fight Cancer Foundation.

"When my daughter Deborra-lee and Hugh Jackman fell in love, Hugh said to me, 'I've just proposed to Deborra-lee and I'd like your blessing.'" "I think he thought I'd go, 'Yay!' and, on the inside, I did, but I made him sit down. 'This is my daughter you're marrying and you have to look after her.' I said. I made him promise to love her forever, never go to bed on an argument and that he had to be the Patron of Fight Cancer Foundation.

"I'm blessed to have her as happy as she is. Hugh loves her as much as she loves him; they're beautiful together. I think that's all any mum wants - for her kids to be happy."

The next phase of Fight Cancer Foundation will see a growth in regional accommodation centres, continued collaboration with key researchers into leukaemia and other blood cancers, young students achieving their study and life goals and the growth of new support services and programs - always towards the target of improving outcomes for people living with cancer.

"It has been an amazing 25 years."





#### **ACHIEVEMENTS | ACCOMMODATION**

THE HOCKEN FAMILY "Our daughter Bella is an amazing little girl, known for her crazy hair, spunk, expressions and her generous and caring nature.

"In May 2013, just one month after her third birthday, our once happy family life was changed forever with just four words.

"Bella had a sore throat and we noticed she had started snoring. We took her to the doctors, thinking it was tonsillitis," her mum Casey said.

"Doctors discovered a tumour the size of a golf ball in her throat..."

"That was it - Bella had cancer - It was so scary - I was 38 and

half weeks pregnant – the rest of our family was in Maffra – and we couldn't go home.

"We found out days later that in one more week Bella's airway would have obstructed and we could well have had a very different story."

Casey and her family learned quickly that cancer doesn't discriminate and it doesn't ask whether it's the right time or place. Even if there is a new baby on the way. Even if you are far from home.

"Bella had Rhabdomyosarcoma
– a 1 in 4 million cancer. For two
full days Keegan and I sat by her
bed at the Royal Children's. We

had a team of amazing doctors - in charge was the wonderful Dr Jordan Hansford, who told us that every cancer is treatable and he was going to fight and fight to cure Bella. Together with Keegan and I giving our unconditional love and support, that was Bella's first climmer of hope.

"She underwent bone marrow aspirates, CT scans of lymph nodes, full body MRI's, a Hickman line, a peg for feeding and chemo started on day three.

"Our immediate family arrived, including Bella's big brother Jonti and her twin sister Lahni. They were the backbone of our support

system and played a huge part then and now. Nine days after Bella was diagnosed, we welcomed our baby Alfie into the chaos. What an amazing blessing.

"It became a team effort - Keegan and I shared every experience from overnight stays at hospital, night feeds for Alfie, housework and being there for all of our kids. Keegan taking 12 months leave from work so we could all be together in Melbourne was the best decision we made.

"We moved into BMDI House for the last seven months of Bella's treatment.

"It was safe, secure, clean and friendly and people were all going through the same thing and understood the importance of keeping each other well and on track. We have met some amazing people over our journey - people who will be our lifelong friends.

"We believe staying together as a family was vital in getting through this life changing experience, sacrificing and putting our lives on hold to focus everything on Bella and give her the best chance to cure her cancer.

"We could not have done this without Fight Cancer Foundation and BMDI House.

"We simply did not have the resources or the hospital near Maffra to fight this disease.



#### JOHN OPIE HOUSE HOBART

"John Opie House offered us a lifeline... without it David and I would not have been together through the most challenging time of our lives. I was alone in a strange city with no friends or family and I did not know if my husband would live or die." Susan McCauley

SAMANTHA KANIZAY



VICKI ROCHESTER

#### BMDI ROTARY HOUSE MELBOURNE

"I will be forever thankful for the accommodation provided by Fight Cancer Foundation."

**Angie Jackman** 



HILLTOP ALBURY/WODONGA

"A beautiful facility which I know is highly valued by many families – well done, all involved."

NSW Minister for Health
The Hon. Jillian Skinner MP

HELEN MURRAY

Together with the accommodation provided to us, Bella received treatment from two of the best hospitals in Australia – we think the best in the world."

Casey has told her family's story in appeal letters and also at the gala Red Ball to a spellbound audience. "I wanted to let everyone know that we felt it was so important for us all to be together as a family.

"Bella is cancer free and we are looking forward. She will need an MRI and CT scan under anaesthetic every three months. She has now started kinder. We were so scared she wouldn't reach this milestone, so are just so happy she gets to enjoy being a little girl."

We have met some amazing people over our journey - people who will be our life long friends 9 9



We deeply appreciate the work of our volunteers... we are delighted to be able to recognise their support

Eric Wright







#### **ACHIEVEMENTS** | SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY

Two of Hilltop's hard-working volunteers were acknowledged in the Albury City Council's 2014 Citizen Awards. Albury City Mayor Cr Kevin Mack announced the awards on Australia Day.

Dedicated Hilltop volunteer and member of the Rotary Club of Albury North, Alf Armstrong was named Albury City Council's Volunteer of the Year for 2014.

Alf volunteered on the Albury Wodonga Carers Accommodation Centre steering committee, representing Rotary and overseeing numerous major fundraising projects. He sits on the current Hilltop Board of Management and

five other Albury District Rotary Committees.

Committed volunteer and member of the Zonta Club of Albury Wodonga, Tonia Timmermans was named Albury City Council's Citizen of the Year for 2014.

Since arriving in Albury in 1961, Tonia has influenced the success of many community organisations. She is a member of the Albury Base Hospital Auxiliary, the Information Bureau and Zonta International. Tonia and fellow Club Member Maddy Dobson, were heavily involved in community efforts in raising funds for the construction of Hilltop.

Both Alf and Tonia participated in a 'thank you' tour in early 2014, visiting local service clubs and community groups, who were involved with fundraising for Hilltop, voicing the appreciation of the Hilltop Board of Management, travelling to Cobram-Barooga, Deniliquin, Yarrawonga-Mulwala and Bright.

"We're very proud of Hilltop and everyone who was involved with its development and delighted that it has proven such a boon for local families," said Managing Director Eric Wright. "We appreciate the commitment of our many volunteers through service clubs

and community groups in their ongoing support for Hilltop."

The dedicated Manager of our Geelong Recycle Shop, Barb Speldewinde, received well-deserved recognition awards in 2014 from the Premier of Victoria The Hon. Dr Denis Napthine in the Victoria Senior of the Year Awards and from Volunteering Geelong for supporting and encouraging new volunteers to learn different skills through volunteering in the Recycle Shop. Barb has been supporting Fight Cancer Foundation since 1997.

The Fight Cancer Foundation Volunteer of the Year Award was

presented to Geelong's Alma Earl-Davis in May in appreciation of her many years of dedicated efforts in raising thousands of dollars through country music events, golf days and raffles.

"We deeply appreciate the support of all of our volunteers in what has been an incredible year," said Eric Wright. "They provide an amazing outlay of support and we are honoured to recognise their selfless and hardworking efforts. We are beholden to their enterprise and spirit and the support they provide is essential in enabling us to continue our vital work."



It's an exciting time, we are actively involved in biomarker research for haematopoietic malignancies and bone marrow transplantation...



#### **ACHIEVEMENTS** | RESEARCH

Dr Rachel Koldej, Senior Scientist with the ACRF Translational Research Laboratory at RMH is involved with all aspects of managing a busy and thriving laboratory.

"It's an exciting time — we are actively involved in biomarker research for haematopoietic malignancies and bone marrow transplantation and we are setting up an extensive prospective sample collection protocol that can be used to investigate research questions in the areas of allogeneic haematopoietic cell transplantation in Australia." said Rachel.

"Our chief research asset is a comprehensive clinical databank

which contains detailed pre and post transplant data.

"Collection and storage of patient tissue samples is a huge growth area and our future will see more samples collected and available for research purposes in a wide variety of studies."

Adelaide born and raised, Rachel always knew she would be involved in science. "My mum is a microbiologist and my maternal aunt changed her career path for science later in life, so with a family background in science, the genes were there early on."

Rachel studied at Flinders University and undertook her PhD in Gene Therapy at the University of Adelaide.

Her early research into gene therapy and bone marrow transplantation brought her into contact with Dr Arthur Nienhuis and the ground breaking work in gene therapy of haematological diseases at St Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, USA.

"I was awarded a four year Post Doctoral Fellowship at St Jude's in 2008. The idea of developing a project and translating it on-site rather than having to go elsewhere was immensely appealing."

Rachel spent a year working in Sydney before joining the

Translational Research Laboratory at RMH in 2013 as Senior Scientist. She is also a Visiting Scientist at the University of Melbourne and a Visiting Research Scientist at Peter Mac.

"I knew I would end up in Melbourne. Melbourne's research opportunities are huge and the development of the new Victorian Comprehensive Cancer Centre – scheduled to open in 2016 – provides a massive opportunity for collaboration by leading cancer specialists."

Rachel and Prof David Ritchie, Director of the ACRF Translational Laboratory and Head of BMT, are well into forward planning for the move. "There are many people involved – lots of different situations we need to envisage for a hopefully seamless transition."

Rachel's collaboration and research have provided many opportunities for published articles presenting research findings and developments contributing to interest and discussions.

She was awarded two prestigious RMH Fight Cancer Foundation Grants-In-Aid in 2013 and 2014 for her work in the development of a microRNA analysis platform to be applied to non-invasive biomarker detection in haematopoietic malignancies.









#### **ACHIEVEMENTS** | CORD BLOOD BANK 500TH UNIT RELEASED



The release of the 500th cord blood unit for transplantation from the BMDI Cord Blood Bank was celebrated in August, with those integral in its development gathering to remember and toast the success of the life-saving resource.

The cord blood units have given adult and child patients with leukaemia, immune defects, marrow failure and a variety of genetic disorders throughout Australia and many countries world-wide, a second chance of life.

Medical Director of the BMDI Cord Blood Bank at The Royal Children's Hospital, Paediatric Haematologist/Oncologist, Dr Karin Tiedemann pioneered the development of the bone marrow transplant program at the RCH and was pivotal in creating the cord blood bank. She has performed hundreds of bone marrow and cord blood transplants for children with leukaemia and other blood disorders.

In 2002 Dr Tiedemann was awarded an Australia Day Honour – a Medal of the Order of Australia - for her service to medicine, particularly in the field of paediatric oncology, through research, the establishment of a bone marrow transplant unit and

the initiation of an umbilical cord blood bank for Victoria.

Cord Blood (CB), had long been shown to contain the same blood forming stem cells as bone marrow (BM) and experimental work during the 1980's suggested there may be sufficient stem cells in CB to enable its use as an alternative to the traditional source of stem cells - donor BM, in a transplant setting.

Since the first cord blood unit was banked in Melbourne in 1996, a further 11,985 cord blood units have been banked. The first unit was released for transplantation in 2000, with the 500th CBU released

on June 23, 2014, (153 to Australian patients and 347 to international patients across 22 countries). The donor choice for patients is now far greater than in the early 1990's with almost 24 million unrelated marrow donors registered and more than 600,000 CB units stored worldwide. The BMDI CBB is currently releasing on average 50 units for transplantation each year and is proud to have enabled hundreds of individuals to pursue treatment with a CB transplant, thereby offering a further chance of cure to these patients.

The BMDI Cord Blood Bank was established as a joint initiative of Fight Cancer Foundation, The Royal Children's Hospital and the Murdoch Childrens Research Institute, with input from the Australian Red Cross. It is today one of three Commonwealth and State funded 'Public' cord blood banks in Australia, forming part of the AusCord network together with Sydney and Brisbane. All search and release activity is coordinated by the Australian Bone Marrow Donor Registry.



like having the threat of losing your life to make you appreciate really living... Thank you for letting me share my experience. I will be nine years post transplant by the end of 2015!



#### **ACHIEVEMENTS** | YOUTH & EDUCATION

"I was diagnosed with Acute Myeloblastic Leukaemia when I was 13. I responded well to treatment but four years later I relapsed in the middle of my HSC and needed a bone marrow transplant.

"My family was tested for a match - my little brothers, my mother, and my aunty who flew from the Philippines to help my mother look after me, and my biological father, who was in France and flew to Australia to meet me for the first time, but none was a match. I had a double cord transplant and was given a third chance at life because of two little babies... and

the excellent team at Westmead Children's!

"Sandra Crossan was the first teacher I met in the Back on Track Program. She understood how important school was for me and liaised with my teachers. I was also working with Valerie DeFina and I'll always remember how wonderful it was that they helped turn my lonely hospital room into my very own art studio! I had bright Gustav Klimt paintings on my wall, an easel, oil paints and brushes.

"Coincidentally, I discovered that I had relapsed following an annual review with my oncologist. He agreed that I could interview

him for my Society and Culture
Personal Interest Project,
'Complementary and Alternative
Medication in the Treatment of
Children with Cancer'.

"I had access to many specialists
- oncologists, music therapist,
psychologist, nurses, who had to
answer questions for my project
first. I ended up getting a great
score and my teacher still uses
it today as an example for her
students.

"During this time, my stepdad also relapsed from cancer. This was a difficult time for my whole family, especially my mum. She visited my stepdad in Concord Hospital, then me in Westmead every day. She cooked my favourite food, gave me head massages and updated me on life outside. She also worked full time and looked after my brothers.

"In 2007 I was still receiving regular check ups and Back on Track helped me enrol in a Fine Arts degree with Sydney University.

It was also in 2007, that I painted an oil painting titled 'Freedom' which expressed my journey through cancer. I was thrilled to have it auctioned at the Red Ball raising \$12,000 for Fight Cancer Foundation.

"By 2009 I decided that art was not for me, and completed a double

degree with a Masters in Nursing and Arts (majoring in Indigenous Studies) at Sydney University. This was the year that I remember struggling a lot as I reached a 'grey zone of wellness'.

"I now work full time as a mental health nurse in the community. I have a caseload of clients and work on the crisis team answering calls from the State Mental Health Triage Line. Unfortunately, I have not painted much and am constantly trying to find ways to incorporate painting into a full-time job. I have also taken up playing quitar".













I love a good party and the Red Ball is as good as it gets.

Hamish Blake, 2013 MC

#### WHAT A YEAR | OUR SPECIAL EVENTS & COMMUNITY SUPPORT

#### THE LITTLE RED LUNCHEON

#### Friday May 23

Celebrating six years of John Opie House, the stunning Tasmanian stars of My Kitchen Rules were special guests at The Little Red Luncheon, a special 'foodie' occasion at Frogmore Creek Winery.

Thalia Papadakis and Bianca Johnston joined celebrity MC ABC TV's Peter Gee, Frogmore's renowned Head Chef Ruben Koopman and John Opie House guests Susan and David Macauley who appreciate first-hand the support provided by John Opie House to families facing challenging times through serious illness.

Thalia and Bianca enchanted Australians as they cooked their way through the top-rating MKR series. The self-confessed foodies outdid themselves and their legions of fans with their charm, senses of humour and matter-offact cooking styles. "We were delighted to be at The Little Red Luncheon," said Thalia. "We were very excited to be on MKR and we loved meeting Luncheon guests and giving them our 'take' on life in the foodie fast lane."

#### **RED BALL**

#### **Saturday October 18**

Award-winning singer, stage performer, actor and multiplatinum selling recording artist

David Campbell hosted the 22nd Annual Red Ball gala at The Palladium at Crown.

The party night showcased amazing music and dance as the Ballroom was transformed into a star-gazing extravaganza with the theme inspired by the musical Hair, the official Hair - The Musical touring company brought all the retro and 60's glam to life. The sumptuous food and wines from Crown's award winning and spectacular banquet menus were interspersed with exciting performances highlighting the magical psychedelic theme with the live and silent auction featuring

some amazing money-can't-buy items.

Fight Cancer Foundation is proud to have Foxtel as Platinum Sponsor, Paspaley, Network 7 and Channel 9 as Gold Sponsors and Lojac, Mi-Tec, The Hour Glass, GB Galvanising, Turtle Island, The Hour Glass, Cable Beach Club, Prancing Horse Estate and Crown as Silver Sponsors for the 22nd Annual Red Ball.

"We are privileged to have such great sponsors and honoured to be able to showcase their support at this special event," said Red Ball Chairman Fay Duncan.

#### **BREAKFAST FOR HOPE**

#### Friday November 7

Outstanding journalist, author, mum, passionate advocate, television and radio presenter Melissa Doyle was special guest and keynote speaker at the annual Breakfast for Hope on the waterfront at the stunning Hobart Function and Conference Centre.

Melissa joined ABC TV's Peter Gee for the charity event supporting John Opie House.

"I was thrilled to be invited to Breakfast for Hope," said Melissa. "Fight Cancer Foundation and John Opie House provide



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**Melissa Doyle** 





wonderful support for people needing accommodation."

Melissa is one of Australia's most popular and trusted media personalities and delighted guests with her insights into popular life. She has worked in the media since 1990 and has a string of amazing 'firsts' including the rescue of the trapped miners at Beaconsfield, the Royal Wedding of Prince William and Catherine, the Inauguration of Barack Obama, three Olympic Games, the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and The Academy Awards. Melissa has interviewed many of the world's celebrities and guests with a look into the world of showbiz.

#### **FOOTY COLOURS DAY 2014**

#### Friday September 5

It was fun, it was fabulous. It was Footy Colours Day – the one day in September to wear your favourite footy colours, have fun with your colleagues or classmates, make a donation and make a difference to young people living with cancer.

There were footy clinics, sausage sizzles, dress-ups, morning teas and casual days as thousands of people from around the country teamed up to raise more than \$500,000 - including many first-time supporters.

Thank you to our Ambassadors Kieren Jack and Adam Blair, thanks to everyone who attended Footy Colours Day @ Fed Square, thanks to everyone who participated, to those who shared their fun photos with us and to everyone who kicked in to help support young Aussies when they need it most.

#### X MEN: DAYS OF FUTURE PAST

#### Friday May 16

A major star-studded Red Carpet marked the Premiere of the Australian Charity Screening of X-Men: Days of Future Past, starring long-time Fight Cancer Foundation Patron Hugh Jackman.

Hugh Jackman, superstar of the X-Men movie franchise, attended the Premiere with co-stars Fan Bingbing and Peter Dinklage, at HOYTS Cinema at Melbourne Central in the shadow of the 125 year old Coops Shot Tower.

"We are delighted to have been presented with this special occasion and the support of Hugh and Deborra-lee" said Eric Wright, Managing Director of Fight Cancer Foundation. "It was an amazing opportunity and we were very excited to be able to premiere the latest epic in the X-Men blockbuster series".

Following the Premiere, Hugh 'jumped' a tram for the cross city trip to Channel 10 studios for a guest appearance on The Project.

All proceeds from the event benefit Fight Cancer Foundation's lifesaving research programs.

#### **DINER ROUGE**

#### **Saturday August 16**

Bistro Thierry again provided a superb gastronomic experience with an amazing degustation menu on a cold winter's night in support of Fight Cancer Foundation.

For the sixth year, owner Thierry Cornevin closed his Toorak restaurant on a popular Saturday evening and provided the takings





money for a cause that is close to our hearts - Letitia Brown

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from the busiest night of the week to Fight Cancer Foundation with the wonderful support of his food and wine suppliers.

For Diner Rouge, Thierry created a typically French dining experience with a six-course Degustation Menu showcasing the finest Australian produce complemented by fine French wines. Guests enjoyed the ambience of an evening in a buzzing French bistro without the jetlag.

Thierry says "I understand that cancer touches us all at some time in our lives and that up to 40,000 Australians die each year from cancer. I have committed

to supporting Fight Cancer Foundation in their work in supporting cancer patients and their families and also their hard work in funding research into finding a cure".

#### MRC CHARITY RACE DAY

#### **Sunday September 28**

We were invited by the Melbourne Racing Club to participate in the inaugural Bendigo Bank East Malvern Charity Race Day as part of the Caulfield Cup Carnival, with MRC donating the proceeds from general admission ticketing, hospitality and sponsorship sales. A highlight of the family fun day

was the Charity Mascot Race, with a magnificent run down the straight by Bo Bear.

We welcomed new Ambassador, apprentice jockey, Kayla Nisbet from the David Hayes stable who joined with us, the team from the Royal Children's Hospital Education Institute and a crowd of young enthusiastic race day attendees in fun activities in Marquees on the magnificent front lawn.

The day was a huge all-round success - we raised much needed funds and welcomed the opportunity to increase awareness of who we are and what we do.

#### **RIFF RAFF CLUB**

#### Wednesday December 3

The spirited Riff Raff Club's annual luncheon at Docklands welcomed long-time supporters from the travel industry — all raising vital funds to support our work.

For nine years, the elite Riff Raff Club has supported Fight Cancer Foundation through a selection of amazing annual lunches each December donating more than \$300,000. In 2014, 120 people gathered at Sketch Docklands for an exclusive lunch of fine food and wine with a magnificent array of travel items auctioned — raising

more than \$50,000 for BMDI Rotary House.

Funds raised have provided sofa beds, reclining chairs and in 2014, The Riff Raff Club Library and Reading Room was established - a quiet sanctuary where people can relax, read a book, magazine or even borrow an iPad loaded with e-books, to take back to their apartment.

Riff Raff Club founders Ian Merton and Paul Forbes are delighted to organise a first class, sell-out lunch each year and have now established a specific Riff Raff fund dedicated to supporting families at BMDI House who are facing financial difficulties.







From humble beginnings selling chocolates and the always reliable sausage sizzles, we quickly moved on ambitious initiatives...

I have loved every minute of it.

**Fay Duncan** 



#### The TEAM FIGHT CANCER Project

The TEAM FIGHT CANCER Project, established in 2013, is a new and positive initiative established to recognise and support community efforts in raising funds to fight cancer.

Working together as a TEAM can make a huge difference and we believe that connecting individuals under The TEAM FIGHT CANCER Project umbrella offers people the opportunity to be part of a likeminded group with a goal of beating cancer.

The growing popularity of people participating in active events

around the country such as Marathons and City2Sea events and using their personal challenge to raise funds encourages the wider community to join in. During 2014 The TEAM FIGHT CANCER Project had an amazing team of committed fundraisers and active givers. They ran, rode bikes, baked cakes, played basketball and even gave up vices for the TEAM.

The TEAM FIGHT CANCER Project understands the motivation and commitment this takes and we appreciate and value the efforts of our supporters.

Together as a TEAM we can beat cancer.

#### **RECYCLE SHOPS**

Our volunteers are an integral part of the Fight Cancer Foundation family. In May Eric Wright joined valued volunteers from our Geelong and Drysdale Recycle Shops as they celebrated National Volunteers Week. Eric was honoured to award the Fight Cancer Foundation 2014 Volunteer of the Year Award to long standing volunteer Alma Davis for her tireless work over many years in organising successful fundraisers.

The dedicated Manager of our Geelong Recycle Shop, Barb Speldewinde, received well-deserved recognition awards during the year from the

Premier of Victoria The Hon. Dr Denis Napthine in the Victoria Senior of the Year Awards and from Volunteering Geelong for supporting and encouraging new volunteers to learn different skills through volunteering in the Recycle Shop.

With National Op Shop Week, fashion parades, the annual Pako Festa street festival and even Footy Colours Day, our enthusiastic shop volunteers lead by Barb Speldewinde and Moya Hughes continue to raise greater understanding of the important role charity op shops play in our community and continue to create greater awareness of our Mission

through encouraging more donations of quality goods and clothing and constantly engaging potential new customers to support their local community.

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### **FAY DUNCAN**

**PRESIDENT & CHAIRMAN** 

Fay is a founding member of Fight Cancer
Foundation and held the position of
Secretary from 1990 to 1992 and
2001 to 2012. Fay was Executive
Director of the Bone Marrow
Donor Institute from 1992 until her
retirement in 2001. She previously
held positions of Associate
Director, Company Secretary and
Administration Manager of several
companies. Fay chaired the Red Ball
committee for many years and retired from
the Board of Directors in December 2014.

#### **ERIC WRIGHT**

MANAGING DIRECTOR

Eric, a Board Member since
1997 and Managing Director
since 2006, has 30 years'
experience in the banking and
finance industry with extensive
experience in human resource
management, sales management
and project management. Eric is a
member of the BMDI Cord Blood Bank

Management Committee, Cord Blood National Management Committee and Australian Bone Marrow Donor Registry Donor Centre Advisory Committee.

#### **KYLIE WHITTARD**

**DIRECTOR** 

Kylie is a management consultant specialising in the non-profit and education sectors, currently working with Teach For Australia. She provides strategic, stakeholder management and brand advice to a range of organisations. She holds an MBA from the University Melbourne. Her previous board

of Melbourne. Her previous board positions include the Adult and Community Further Education Board and the Victorian Art Deco Society.

#### **TONY HANCY**

**VICE PRESIDENT & DIRECTOR** 

Appointed to the Board in 2008, Tony gained extensive experience in healthcare and technology at Accenture as Managing Partner for the healthcare practice in the Asia Pacific Region, and then overseeing Accenture Technology Ventures' operations in Australia and Accenture's Corporate Development in Australia and New Zealand. Tony is a member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors, CPA and Australian Institute of Management.

#### **KATERINA ANDRONIS**

**DIRECTOR** 

Katerina joined the Board in 2013.

She is a senior IT and Change
Management professional
and works in the acute
health sector area. Her
focus is analysis of Health
Care strategies, identifying
business and clinical
processes, evaluating core
priorities of an organisation
and developing an implementation

strategy based on present and future technologies which support safe and effective patient care and business outcomes.

#### **JAMES MULLER**

**DIRECTOR** 

James was appointed Board member in August 2012, having joined the Development Board in 2008. James is a Business Development

Executive and has been employed in a number of management roles including State Manager positions in Victoria and Tasmania. James is a Williamson Fellow and is also the Chair of the Williamstown Community and Education Centre.



# DAVID ALSOP COMPANY SECRETARY & DIRECTOR

David joined the Board in 1999 and was appointed Company Secretary in June 2009. David became involved with BMDI after his son received a bone marrow transplant in 1996, and has special responsibility for the support groups. David is an Architect and provided project management advice for the construction of BMDI Rotary House.

#### **LEONIE WALSH**

**DIRECTOR** 

Leonie is a management consultant specialising in commercialisation and new business start-ups in the technology sector. Leonie underwent a bone marrow transplant in 1989 and after recuperating, joined the Bone Marrow Donor Institute Board from 1992 to 1995. Leonie re-joined the board in 2009. She was appointed

Victoria's inaugural Lead Scientist in 2013, a role which encourages greater connections between Victoria's scientific and research community and industry and received an Honorary Doctorate from Swinburne University of Technology in 2014.



#### JOHN SKINNER DIRECTOR

Appointed to the Board in 2008, John is Managing Partner of Catalyst International, a specialist Marketing & Communications and Online group, and is a past National Board Director of the Advertising Federation of Australia and Chairman of the AFA Business Forum in Victoria. John retired from the Board of Fight Cancer Foundation in May 2014.



### FINANCE DIRECTOR & INTERNAL AUDIT COMMITTEE

Tony, a Chartered Accountant, was appointed to the Board in 2010. He is an honorary financial adviser to the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons and honorary finance director of the Australian Print Workshop. Tony also has a number of company board appointments.

#### **SOPHIA ELLIOTT**

MARKETING & BUSINESS
DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

Sophia has been a Board member since 1991 and was appointed Director of Marketing and Development in 2007. Sophia has a 35 year career in advertising, marketing and PR and held positions of General Manager and Director of several private and public companies. She was also on the Committee of the AFA Business Forum of Victoria.

#### KATE NICHOLLS

ALTERNATE DIRECTOR APPOINTED

BY MRS ELLIOTT

Kate joined the Board in 2014 and currently works as a Director and Senior Consultant with Avant Group, a leading business strategy and government grant consulting firm. Kate has previously worked in the Aerospace and Defence sector and managed the Corporate Membership division of the Victorian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (VECCI). Kate has qualifications in mechanical Engineering and also holds a Masters of Marketing and Post Graduate Diploma of Management from Melbourne Business School.

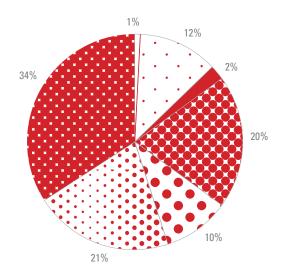
#### **JOHN BARBOUR**

**DIRECTOR** 

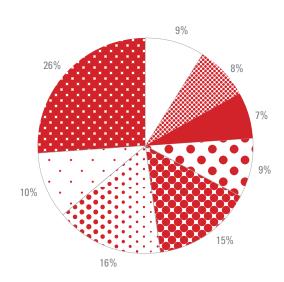
John is a Chartered Accountant and Certified
Financial planner and has been a
Board member since 1992. In
2003, John was appointed to
the BMDI Cord Blood Bank
Management Committee
and was elected Chairman
in 2004.

# Financial Summary

#### Revenue



#### **Expenditure**





#### **FINANCIAL SUMMARY 2014**

The Combined deficit for the companies of 2014 was \$162,450 (2013: \$161,321 surplus). This major change in outcomes is largely due to the completion of the Albury Accommodation Centre and winding down of the associated public fundraising appeal, and less donation income in general.

Whilst the companies continued the pursuit of their objectives, a challenging economic climate impacted on the level of non-grant revenues notwithstanding the ongoing direct mail campaigns, which have maintained public awareness of our work.

Fight Cancer Foundation, Bone Marrow Donor Institute and Ovcare National Cancer Centre continued to puruse Direct Mail, Corporate and Event Revenues to enable its unrelenting support of Youth Education, Research and Accommodation Services in particular.

Footy Colours Day, Community Fundraising and the Red Ball were all very successful and provided much of the desired funds for the Foundation to be able to continue its important work. Hilltop House in Albury experienced a full year of operations and provided care to residents of that area that had prevously missed out on accommodation support. North Melbourne and Hobart also continue to support many people and their carers at their time of need.

The full accounts for Fight Cancer Foundation, Bone Marrow Donor Institute and Ovcare National Cancer Centre are available on request.

#### Combined Statement of Surplus or Deficit and Other Comprehensive Income Year Ended 31 December 2014

REVENUE	<b>2014</b> \$	<b>2013</b> \$	LESS OPERATING EXPENSES	<b>2014</b> \$	
ranches and Shops	52,488	52,745	Administration Operating Expenses	(290,461)	
Onnations & Bequests	532,791	735,922	Fundraising Operating Expenses	(767,104)	
Frusts & Foundations	269,000	244,697	Research Grants & Expenditure	(279,265)	
Special Events	894,566	626,336	BMDI Cord Blood Bank	(226,951)	
Income from Accommodation Centres	571,006	441,321	BMDI House Running Costs	(264,388)	
Sundry Income	7,442	7,590	Hobart House Running Costs	(193,854)	
Financial Income - Bank Interest	25,217	26,100	Hilltop House Running Costs	(448,727)	
	2,352,510	2,134,711	Youth Education	(467,668)	
				(2,938,418)	
Capital Purpose Income - Iilltop House			Surplus/(deficit) for the year before share of associate surplus	(275,149)	
New South Wales State Government Grant	-	121,800	Share of associate surplus (BMDI Cord Blood Bank)	112,699	
Donations & Bequests	310,759	486,593	Surplus/(deficit) for the year	(162,450)	
	310,759	608,393	Other Comprehensive Income:	-	
TOTAL REVENUE	2,663,269	2,743,104	TOTAL SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	(162,450)	



# Combined Statement

#### Combined Statement of Financial Position As At 31 December 2014

	2014 \$	2013 \$		2014 \$	201 \$
ASSETS	•	•	LIABILITIES		
Current Assets			Current Liabilities		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	1,139,408	1,091,514	Trade and other payables	245,835	155
rade and other receivables	79,936	110,732	Employee Entitlements	127,146	146
et GST receivable	26,284	20,071	Total Current Liabilities	372,981	301
otal Current Assets	1,245,628	1,222,317			
			Non-Current Liabilities		
on - Current Assets			Employee Entitlements	9,974	15,
roperty, Plant and Equipment	9,708,632	9,507,799	Total Non-Current Liabilities	9,974	15,
vestment in Associate – BMDI Cord Blood Bank	890, 535	777,836	TOTAL LIABILITIES	382,955	317
otal Non - Current Assets	10,599,167	10,285,635	NET ASSETS	11,461,840	11,
DTAL ASSETS	11,844,795	11,507,952	EQUITY		
			Accumulated Surplus	5,585,230	5,8
			Reserves and other equity interests	5,876,610	5,3
			TOTAL EQUITY	11,461,840	11,

#### CORPORATE GOVERANCE

Fight Cancer Foundation, Bone Marrow Donor Institute and Ovcare National Cancer Centre Boards meet monthly to formulate the strategic plan of the Group and monitor adherence to the plan. During 2014, the directors attended the following meetings.

Director	Position	Occupation	No. eligible to attend	No. attended
FW Duncan	Chairman	Company Director	11	3
A C Hancy	Deputy Chairman	Company Director	11	9
D H Alsop	Secretary	Architect	11	9
K Andronis	Director	Company Director	11	5
E M Wright	Managing Director	Company Director	11	11
S J Elliott	Director-Marketing & Business Development	Company Director	6	1
J C Barbour	Director	Chartered Accountant	11	8
J C Skinner	Director	Company Director	4	1
L K Walsh	Director	Management Consultant	11	8
A B Lewis	Director/Honorary Finance Director	Chartered Accountant	11	10
K J Whittard	Director	Management Consultant	11	10
J Muller	Director	Business Development Executive	11	5
K Nicholls	Director Proxy	Senior Consultant	5	4

The Board has formed a number of sub-committees to consider specific areas of the Group's activities. All Committees must have a member of the Board serving on them to ensure that the objectives set by the Board are fulfilled. In particular the Development Board, Audit Committee and Finance Committee assist the Board in ensuring that the organisation meets its objectives.

#### **DEVELOPMENT BOARD**

The Development Board provides input and recommendations into the strategic direction of the group and is a key part of the Board's succession planning strategy. Members of the Development Board are Associate Directors:

K Nicholls	A Ferfoglia	S Barbour	A Horan
V Godhino	S Gildea	K Nair	L Wynn

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The Group has an audit committee which reviews internal policies and procedures and meets with external auditors. The audit committee meets regularly and comprises:

T Jasper B.Com, CTA, MICB

D Mitchell B.EC, CA, IPAA

G Mitrevski B.BUS, FCPA, MIIA, CIA

A Cinanni B.BUS (ACCTG), CA

A B Lewis B.Ec, FCA, FCPA, MAICD

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Committee reviews accounting policies and procedures, forward budgeting and financial planning of the Group and provides the Board with guidance and recommendations. The Committee comprises:

A B Lewis BEc, FCA, FCPA, MAICD J Lonergan B.Comm, CA



thank you

David Abbey	J Blackett-Smith	Count Charitable Foundation	Fed Square Pty Ltd	Hockey Albury-Wodonga
2AY 1494 Albury NSW	Heather M Blackwood	Country Women's Association -	Adam Ferfoglia	Amit Holckner
Ackerley Family	Adam Blair	Niddrie Branch	Fight Cancer Foundation	Holden Limited
A& $G$ Engineering	Blank Canvas Interiors	John Coughlan	Croydon Branch & members	Amy Horan
Adrenaline HQ	Graham Blashki	Andrew Craib	Fight Cancer Foundation Donald Branch	Keith & Helen Hughes
Aegis Media	Fiona & Glenda Bloss & Hicks	Craigieburn Basketball Association	Fight Cancer Foundation	Moya Hughes
Geraldine Allen	BMMC Brisbane	Roisin Crossan	Drysdale Recycle Shop	Hybrid Fitness Systems
All Souls' Opportunity Shop	Brasacchio Developments Pty Ltd	Crown Resorts	Fight Cancer Foundation	HYPER Group Special Effects
Alpine Valleys Community Leadership	Lina Brasacchio	Darren Carnell Pty Ltd	Geelong Recycle Shop	Doug & Margi Hyslop
Program	Brighton Beach Primary School	Darwin Private Hospital	Fight Cancer Foundation Maryborough Branch	Ibiza Hair
David Alsop	Nigel Brinkley	Gayle K Danchin	Fight Cancer Foundation	ICS Industries
Amcor Flexibles	Barbara K Brophy	Edward Darby	Murray-Campaspe Branch	Independent Property Group
Richard W Amor	Letitia Brown	Alma Davis	Fight Cancer Foundation Swan Hill Branch	IOOF Foundation
NAmos	Leo Browne	Decmil Australia		Benita Iulianetti
Joy Anderson	Buildzone Builders Pty Ltd	Department of Human Services	Findex Group	Kieren Jack
Katerina Andronis	Campbell Burns	Department of Communities,	Finley Community Help Group	Angie Jackman
ANZ Bank Transformation Projects GTSO	Basil J Byrne	Child Safety & Disability Services	Judith F Fontana	Geoffrey Jacobs
	Cable Beach Resort & Spa	Donnybrook District High School	Lindsay & Paula Fox	Lyndall J James
Aquaworks Premium Spring Water	David Campbell	Margaret Dedera	Foxtel	James Boag – Lion Co
B Armbruster	C M Rechter Pty Ltd	Erik J de Haart	Muriel Frazer	Joe White Bequest
The Hon Elise Archer MP	Capital Finance Australia Limited	Jeanette De Montemas	Frogmore Creek	Kerry Johns
ARL	Ben Carnell	Jozette Dellemain	Gabrielle's Angel Foundation for Cancer Research	Caroline Kaddis
Artist Photographer	Gary Carnell	Eric & Leone Devrell	GB Galvanizing Service Pty Ltd	Samantha Kanizay
Australia Supplies & Printing	Roberto Carnelos	DJ Kitty Kat	Ronny Garg	Karingal
Trevor & Nicky Ausbruch & Dobos	Liza Carroll	Justine Dobbs	Ivor Gaylard	Nicole Kelly
Aussie Home Loans	R Case	Donna Aston Fitness	Peter Gee	Mr & Mrs Kirkham
Australian Radio Network (ARN)	CBA Staff Social & Charity Club	Dow Chemical Australia & New Zealand Ltd	Gilbert Retail Glenroy	E M Kiss
Glenn Badenhop	(Vic) Inc	Dr Tass Cosmetic Clinics	Sarah Gildea	Kiwanis Club of Deniliquin
B&Z Klarica Investments	CGU	Fay Duncan	Vinita Godinho	Kyneton Football Netball Club
Baigents Pty Ltd	Channel 9	Lyn Elford	Shelagh Goonewardene	Norman & Dorothy Lanyon
Banyule Primary School	Chicks Walk for a Cause	Sophia Elliott	Mark Gray	Jack LeBel
John Barbour	Clamenz Evans Ellis	Elly Lukas	Group Four Building Surveyors &	Juck LeBei Legal Aid New South Wales
Susan Barbour	Club Kirrawee	Greg J Embleton	PSI Global	
Dennis Bastas	Club Pine Rivers	Endeavour Sports High School	Hannah Grzesiak	Anthony Lewis
Bathurst Golf Club	Cobram-Barooga Kiwanis Club	• •	Marion C Hagston	Angela Librandi & Afrodescia
Hugh & Marianne Bayford	Colin & Siew Sen Choy	Esca Restaurant	JB Hancox	Geoffrey Lindsay
Hans Bergmuller	Collingwood Football Club	Ettalong Bowling Club	Tony Hancy	Linfox
Berwick Pharmacy	Commonwealth Bank of Australia –	Ezi-Hose Pty Ltd	Scott Harrison	Lions Club of Speed
Big Wet Natural Spring Water	Community Grants	Fashionable Sail Shades	Peter Helliar	Lions Cord Blood Foundation In
Bistro Thierry	Bernard Cook	Fastener Specialists (NSW) Australia Pty Ltd	Hocken & McQuillen Families	Lions International District 201
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Chantel Runting

Southern Cross Austereo Spectrum Talent Staging Connections Spring Gully Primary School Spuds 'R' Us Star of the Sea Primary School Cleveland State Library of Western Australia Noel & Jill Stephens Malcolm Stewart Style By Nature Sue Bull Memorial Golf Day Margaret Sullivan Swansea Golf Club Mei Teow Thalia Haven The Albury SS&A Club Ltd The Angior Family Foundation The Anglican Parish of Pascoe Vale -Oak Park The Aus Youth Band conducted by Richard O'Toole The Balnaves Foundation The Caring Quilters The GW Vowell Foundation Limited The cast of HAIR The GW Vowell Foundation The Hour Glass The Lenna of Hobart The Mad Hatters The Peninsula School The Photobooth Co The University of Melbourne Medical Revue Medleys The Walbundrie Cancer Appeal The William Angliss (Victoria) Charitable Fund Jackson Thomas Monica Tietjens Top Gear Cleaning Transport Accident Commission

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#### TEAM FIGHT CANCER HERO | GARY CARNELL



Fight Cancer Foundation

Giving hope. Saving lives. Seven days – six stop-overs - one thousand kilometres – elated and exhilarated – Gary Carnell and the CureTOUR team rode from Adelaide to Geelong raising almost \$70,000.

Gary and the team left Adelaide on Father's Day in September and arrived in Geelong the following Saturday via Blanchetown, Renmark, Mildura, Swan Hill, Bendigo and Daylesford.

The 'peloton' honoured Gary's brother-in-law Jason who passed away from leukaemia in 2010. Gary's passion for funding vital research prompted him to organise amazing long-distance rides which are now known as the **CureTOUR** rides.

money for research into this dreaded disease so that other families would not have to go through what we had experienced. So I came up with the idea of the CureTOUR rides.

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