



NEWSLETTER

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What's coming up

11 November 2012 Vintage Softball Fun Day

Please see our website for further information –
www.amiestclairmelanoma.org.au

Amie St Clair Melanoma Trust was established in March 2010 following the death of Amie from Metastatic Melanoma. The Trust was established to make a difference in raising awareness of Melanoma and provide education and better access to specialised care for the communities of the Wagga Wagga region.

A big thank you to our supporters who have enabled us to employ a Melanoma Care Nurse and Executive Officer to assist the Board in achieving their Vision.



Eileen Friedlieb commenced as our Melanoma Care Nurse in April. Eileen's role involves talking to and guiding patients through their Melanoma treatments together with listening to patients concerns and advising them of possible benefits/support services that they can access.

Eileen will also be involved in educating the public on the prevention of melanoma through talking to various target groups, such as Rotary, schools and the general population.

Wagga Motors generously donated a black Holden Barina to the Trust to assist us achieve our Vision.

A word from our Nurse.....I have recently spent some valuable time up at The Melanoma Institute in Sydney, where I was fortunate enough to meet with some of Australia's leading surgical oncologists, Professor Thompson & Professor Stretch. I spent time in their clinics and had the opportunity to see Professor Thompson operate. This visit has established a valuable link between myself and the Institute, who have continually supported the Trust and its ambitions.

I have also been busy with GP and Specialist practice visits, highlighting the role of the Melanoma Nurse and referral process. This has been met with an overall positive response.

On an ending note... did you know that the amount of cumulative sun exposure in the first 15 years of life is linked to an increased likelihood of skin cancers as an adult, including Melanoma?

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Education

Annette St Clair, Amie's mother, and Eileen attended the Melanoma Patients Australia's first Symposium which was held in Melbourne on 29th July. This was a very informative event with Melanoma Oncologists and surviving patients being guest speakers. The day continued with a health expo which gave Annette and Eileen an opportunity to meet with likeminded organisations striving to achieve the same goal.

Fundraising

Our annual Pink and Black Ball was held on 26th May. A fabulous night was had which is a credit to our fundraising committee, sponsors, donors and those who attended. An approximate amount of \$10,751.00 was raised on the night.



Our Fundraising Committee continues to provide a sausage sizzle at Rundles Auctions every fortnight when they hold their general auction so drop in and enjoy a sausage to support our cause.

Annette and Peter attended a trivia night in Albury hosted by the Hume Building Society on Saturday 25th August. Hume Building Society chose the Trust to be the recipients of funds raised on the night. A cheque in the sum of \$3,000.00 was received from Hume Building Society for which we are extremely grateful.

Southcity Bulls Football Club continues to be major supporters of the Trust through holding a Pink Melanoma Sock Day for one of their matches.

If you are interested in helping our Fundraising Committee please contact Annette St Clair on 0448 255 223.

Support Group

Lillier Lodge have kindly offered us a room to hold our bi-monthly Support Group meetings. These meetings are held on the second Friday of every second month. The next meeting will be held on the 12th of October 2012.

How To Donate

Donations can be made via our website www.amiestclairmelanoma.org.au.

Our Team....

Directors

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