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The Great Escape Oz April 2022 Newsletter

G'day to all Rallyitives and those who are interested in joining our trusty group.

THIS IS A RALLY HEALTH CHECK ON ENTRANTS AND CARS.

THE LAST NEWSLETTER BEFORE THE START AT BROKEN HILL

WITH JUST 26 SLEEPS TO GO BEFORE THE GREAT ESCAPE OZ IS BACK ON THE TRACK FOLLOWING 2.5 YEARS OF HOPE AND CANCELLATIONS, SO GET YOUR PAPERS IN.

You need to get cracking as everything is completed at our end you need to complete all your tasks and get the paperwork back to us ASAP

ENTRY FORMS IN with MONEY, CATERING MONEY AND FUNDRAISING MONEY, DISCLAIMER & CAR INFORMATION FORM.

BANKING DETAILS ARE BELOW AND THE REASON WE USE BEYOND BANK IS CURE4CF HAS AN ARRANGEMENT WITH THE BANK TO RECEIVE BETTER RATES.

ONLY 26 SLEEPS TO GO SO DON'T MAKE IT SLEEPLESS NIGHTS FOR SHARON AND ME

GET ALL THE THINGS IN ASAP

PLEASE READ ALL THE POINTS WITHIN THIS NEWSLETTER

IT IS THE LAST ONE BEFORE WE ALL MEET UP AT BROKEN HILL

Please see below Welcome & Thank you Note from Cure4 CF:

Dear Great Escape Oz entrants,

After a few false starts, we are so excited to see the Great Escape Oz underway, as we're sure you are too!

We know many of you are first time supporters of Cure4CF this year and we wanted to introduce ourselves properly...

Cure4CF was formally established in 2007 and is a registered not-for-profit organisation with a vision for a cure for cystic fibrosis. Cure4CF furthers this mission by raising funds across the country and directing them to support promising Australian medical research; research that has the best chance of making it into the hands of people with CF.

We exclusively fund research into therapies and treatments that will either cure CF or significantly extend the life expectancy of people living with CF. This is our key point of difference.

Cure4CF is Australia's largest private funder of CF research. We raise funds through community fundraising, major gifts, sponsorships, and grants. To date, in partnership with our community we have raised over \$5M to invest in a cure for CF.

We rely on the action and generosity of people like Terry to organise and execute fundraisers like the Great Escape Oz and appreciate all the amazing participants who see the injustice of cystic fibrosis and have rolled up their sleeves and joined the crew to make a difference.

We are a small team of just 2 part time staff and a dynamic Board of 9 Directors. We run a lean organisation to keep our overheads low, but our impact is great. We want to make every dollar raised count. Our volunteer strategies, such as our highly engaged Board and Ambassadors, are key to achieve this.

We have a rigorous model for our funding, with excellent governance and reporting frameworks supported by an expert Advisory Committee. Our grants process ensures our focus is on funding translational research – that has scientific, clinical, and commercial merit and a focused pathway to clinical outcomes.

Through our recent grant round, we have uncovered incredible Australian research that has the potential to transform CF treatment globally. Through targeted funding, we can accelerate this research.

All the funds donated from the Great Escape Oz event will support our 2022 Holckner Family CF Impact Grant, which last year uncovered a novel gene therapy with the ability to completely transform how we treat CF. It's an exciting project and I encourage you to visit our website www.cure4cf.org to find out more about it and our other research partners.

After a year of rescheduling the Great Escape Oz finally kicks off on the 30th of April with a welcome dinner in Broken Hill. We look forward to following your journey through the fantastic course that Terry has planned for you. We wish you a fantastic trip. We hope you are proud of the efforts you are taking and know they will make a difference to the volume of CF cure focused research we can fund in 2022.

Safe travels and welcome to our Cure4CF Army!

Suzy and Birgit



Executive Manager
Suzy Dimaline



Fundraising and Operations Coordinator
Birgit Smith

ACCOMMODATION.

I have some accommodation available as a group has pulled out, it is a room for consisting of a double and single bed. This is available in the following towns, it could be a room or a cabin to suit 3 people. Accommodation is hard to find, be quick.

- Tibooburra Family Inn 1 May '22
- Innamincka Hotel 2 May '22
- Birdsville Caravan Park 3 May '22
- Nothing at Windorah. 4 May'22
- Quilpie 5 May 3 beds in a room in a house with other rally crews in other rooms.
- Tambo 6 May '22.1 room Tambo Tavern
- Cabin Augathella 7 May '22

Please contact me if you are interested in this accommodation and I'll deal with the venue as it can become messy. Remember the room has a double and a single bed. You need to come back to me by 8 April'22, otherwise I'll cancel the booked accommodation.

BROKEN HILL. Sharon and I along with a number of others will be in BH on Friday 29 April, we plan to set up Registration hopefully in the Pavilion Room in the Palace Hotel. We will set up a Scrutineering area for Friday and Saturday arrivals, at the Comfort Inn in Crystal St, as many are staying at this motel, or across the road at the railway station.

REGISTRATION; Track Books, Door Stickers, cloth patches, disclaimer forms completed and signed and handed in at registration, no completed and signed disclaimer forms, no rally.

THEME TIMES DAY AND NIGHT; Come on get involved and enjoy the fun of showing off your alter-ego, realising you are doing this for CURE4 CF, so it is not embarrassing.

IMPORTANT RALLY INFORMATION

A MUST-READ SECTION, ACTION REQUIRED.

- Entry form completed and emailed to me. It should already be done, need this for catering numbers and arrangements. **PLEASE GET ENTRY FORMS IN NOW.**
- Catering is extremely expensive in the area we are travelling through, and I need to correct numbers to pass onto the caterers. **NEED ENTRY FORS FOR CATERING NUMBERS.**
- Car Information completed and emailed **immediately.** It should already be done. Disclaimed form - **NEED THIS FORM COMPLETED FOR INSURANCE**
- 20 Litre Fuel Jerry Can as limited servo's available in the area we are travelling.
- 10 litre Water container for both yours and your car protection.
- Birdsville-Town Hall. **You need to bring your own refreshments;** I would suggest you buy in Broken Hill, as alcohol is expensive in Innamincka and Birdsville.
- Track condition, currently there are a number of tracks west and north of Birdsville closed, which at this point will not affect us. We have PLAN B if things remain the same around Innamincka, but that is likely to improve by the time we arrive.
- All the information required is on the website www.thegreatescapeoz.com.au

RAFFLE TICKETS - GREAT PRIZES.

The RAFFLE will be drawn at the Welcome Dinner 30th April 2022 at the Palace Hotel Broken Hill so either buy tickets get a book or two and sell the tickets adding all ticket sales to your fundraising for your car. Fifty (50) tickets \$2 each = \$100 for your car. So a very uncomplicated way of adding to your fundraising.

- 1st Prize Jura E8 Black Fully Automatic Coffee Maker, Swiss made.
- 2nd Prize 65-inch 4K Ultra HD Smart TV.
- 3rd Prize Fuel Voucher for \$250 Australia wide.

All books sold or unsold must be in our **POST BOX by TUESDAY 19 APRIL 2022.**

Please return all books with car number or name to PO BOX 1089 BAULKHAM HILL NSW 2153. All ticket money banked. Please send me an email advising the amount, date of deposit and your car number as this will allow Sharon to match the deposit to your fundraising

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BSB 325 185.

A/C # 03767310

REF: YOUR CAR NUMBER (Super important!)

The take-a-way message is 'get your Entry Forms in.' See attached.

See ya in Broken Hill at the Palace Hotel Saturday 30 April '22

See 'Ya down the track

Terry Stewart

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Attached: Disclaimer Form

Entry Form

Theme Nights