

#### Hello to you all

Well, Winter is now behind us and as we move into Spring we move into a busy time for all of us as we all pursue our vision through fundraising activities, preparing for District Conventions and the coming summer. As I have mentioned before September is Childhood Cancer Awareness month so I am asking you all to please promote Childhood Cancer Research and our vision of 100% Survival.

On Page 2 you will find a promotion that is running for the month of September - A virtual sausage sizzle! Lions Clubs and ALCCRF are currently engaged in our Annual "Lions Biggest BBQ", but we all know that not everyone eats them - so why not just donate the \$2.50 instead - you will find out how in this Newsletter. For those that love your sausages and sizzling them at a Lions BBQ and your Club has not entered the competition to win a BBQ outdoor kitchen for your Club it is not too late - entry details are on our website and later in the Newsletter.

To all our Clubs that continue to donate to the Lions Kids Cancer Genome Project and our other projects a big thank you. ALCCRF has already paid \$500,000 to the Garvan Institute and are well on the way to raising the other \$800,000 needed but I still ask all of you to dig that little bit deeper this September and support us in our endeavours.

John Thorpe ALCCRF National Chairman

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## LIONS VIRTUAL SAUSAGE SIZZLE



September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month and we are hosting a

very special Sausage Sizzle to raise funds for the Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation(ALCCRF).

Our mission is to prevent kids with cancer dying by raising funds to the support the best scientific and clinical childhood cancer research conducted right across Australia.

As Lions, we are synonymous with sausage sizzles - almost everyone has at some time indulged in the local BBQ fundraiser. Our Virtual Sausage Sizzle however, is something a little different...

At a usual sizzle, a sausage goes for \$2.50, but from this a portion goes back to cover costs of buying the

sausage, bread, sauce etc. In a Virtual Sausage Sizzle the full \$2.50 is a donation. So please join us in raising some very needed funds and get yourself a virtual sausage or two - we even cater to vegetarians and vegans!

Just \$2.50 for a virtual sausage, and you can help make a real difference for a sick child. Larger donations gratefully received.

http://www.mycause.com.au/page/157567/virtual-sausage-sizzle

### LION'S REAL SAVSAGE SIZZLE

### Lions Club of Bowral (N2)

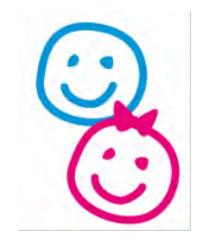
Virtual Sausage Sizzle







held a Lions Biggest BBQ which resulted in a donation of \$1,200 - thank you!



# (HILDHOOD (AN(ER AWARENESS MONTH



Globally, 80,000 children have their lives cut short

by cancer each year, and more research is needed to reduce this statistic.

Cancer is the single greatest cause of death from disease in Australian children, with 1 in every 500 kids developing some type of cancer before the age of 15. These frightening statistics are what motivate groups such as ALCCRF to redouble their efforts every year to raise money to support these children and their families through vital research into cures for childhood cancers.

#### How did Childhood Cancer Awareness Month start?

Childhood Cancer Awareness Month was first declared by former US President Barack Obama in 2010. Since then, cancer organisations all around the world have used this awareness month to put the spotlight on children's cancer and highlight the need for improved diagnosis, treatment and outcomes.

Every year in September, charities around the globe honour Childhood Cancer Awareness Month to raise awareness and critical funds for childhood cancer. In the US, these groups include the American Childhood Cancer Organisation and the American Children's Cancer Foundation, while here in Australia participants include ALCCRF and many other Organisations including The Zero Childhood Cancer Program an initiative of Sydney Children's Hospital, Kids Cancer Centre and the Children's Cancer Institute of Australia

#### What is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month?

The objective of Childhood Cancer Awareness Month is to raise awareness of the types of cancers that primarily affect children, as well as to help raise funds for research and family support.

The Gold Ribbon is the international awareness symbol of childhood cancer and merchandise created for the event typically includes the colour gold. Events and activities held during Childhood Cancer Awareness Month vary widely between countries and organisations, but whether it's a high-profile lecture tour or a backyard barbeque for a gold coin donation, all have the common goal of raising awareness and funds,

#### How can you get involved?

The best way you can contribute on a local level during Childhood Cancer Awareness Month is to make some kind of a donation. This could include:

- a cash donation to Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation
- A donation of your time to raise funds You could rattle a tin, help at an event, hold an event of your own





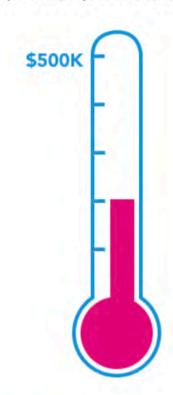


## Lions Biggest BBQ

September is **Childhood Cancer Awareness Month** and if your Club has not already participated in helping us raise this year's target of \$500,000 by conducting a BBQ in your area, or indeed if you want to fundraise for a second or third time – why not get involved in a community BBQ project in September?

Please remember to send your donations or BBQ cheques to the nominated address of PO Box 97, Mandurah WA 6210 and ensure the cheques are made payable to ALCCRF – the NAB will not accept funds payable to Lions Biggest BBQ.

We are halfway through the year but not quite halfway to our target of \$500,000. Plan your Biggest BBQ and help us burst through top of the fundraiser thermometer!



# WIN an outdoor kitchen barbecue for your club!

