

Something Looks Different....

Relay For Life has a brand new look. TV ads have started running with the new national branding and events will now be using the new brochures, posters and press ads. It's a step towards consolidating Relay For Life all over Australia and increasing the profile of the event.

The new online team registrations are another way of making Relay accessible to everyone. It is a user-friendly way to help teams pay their registration and increase donations. We encourage all teams to use the online tools available and don't forget to personalise your page with a message and photos. Reached your fundraising goal already? Increase it! Check the event page to see which teams are the Top Fundraisers and visit other teams' pages to see why they Relay.

Merchandise is also in for a change this year. Soon team captains will be able to buy fundraising merchandise online. Drink bottles, hats and coffee mugs will still be available and watch out for some new items that will be added to help boost your teams' fundraising efforts and move you closer to winning a highest fundraiser award at your event.

The new focus for Relay For Life is **Celebrate Remember Fight Back!**

Celebrate those who have survived cancer
Remember those we have lost
Fight Back against cancer

Join A Committee!

Relay in WA would not exist without the volunteer organising committee for each event. Many members have been on their committee for several years, but positions do become available in areas such as catering, logistics, entertainment, sponsorship and survivorship.

Each new portfolio holder is supported with an induction, including documentation and established procedures. If you have the relevant skills and experience and would like to help your local committee, please contact us on 1300 65 65 85.

The Big 10

Next year will be the 10th anniversary of Relay For Life in WA. This is a huge milestone and celebration plans are afoot.

We would like to thank all the teams, volunteers, sponsors, supporters, survivors and carers who have participated over the last 9 years for their enthusiastic and committed support of Relay For Life.

Survivors

If you have or have had cancer, or have cared for someone with cancer, please join us in the Survivors Walk and at the Survivors Afternoon Tea to celebrate and acknowledge your cancer journey.

Register now for the Survivors Walk at your local Relay. Contact emails are listed on page 4 under Upcoming 2009 Events or call us on 1300 65 65 85.

Goodbye Perry Lakes Stadium!

2009 marked the final year for the Perry Lakes event to be held at the original venue. The bulldozers haven't quite rolled in yet, but bits and pieces are disappearing as the old stadium is dismantled to make way for housing. Despite the imminent demolition, participants were not deterred from our biggest event and we again reached full capacity with 172 registered teams.

The beautiful food and atmosphere at the Survivors Afternoon Tea made it a very special experience for the survivors and carers. The massage tent again proved to be an essential service, the lively entertainment kept everyone amused and the cappuccino baristas were rushed off their feet. As a special farewell to the stadium, four Chinese Dragons concluded the closing ceremony, symbolising the move towards the future and into a new venue.

The 2009 event has to date has reached just over \$577,500 of which \$504,000 was raised through team fundraising. Without teams, we would not have the funds to keep Relay going year after year, and we thank you all for your amazing contribution.

We are not yet taking registrations for 2010, but the moment the new date and venue are locked in, we will welcome you all back with open arms.



Winners!

Best Fancy-Dressed Team	Forrestfield Fruitloops
Most SunSmart Tentsite	Kaptain Kayden's Ultimate Avengers
Best Decorated Tentsite	American Womens Club
Highest Funds Raised - Corporate	Steel Magnolias
Highest Funds Raised - 2nd	The Aluminators
Highest Funds Raised - 3rd	Dale Alcock Homes
Highest Funds Raised - Community	Cotton On To Cancer
Highest Funds Raised - 2nd	Slippin' Sloppin' Slappers
Highest Funds Raised - 3rd	Friends of Lauryn Louise
Highest Funds Raised - School	Wesley College Reidy's Relayers
Highest Funds Raised - 2nd	Churchlands Senior High School
Grand Champions Award	Wesley College Reidy's Relayers
Most Laps Completed - Male	Silvio - 292 laps
Most Laps Completed - Team	Wesley College - 890 laps

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Hello Esperance!

The eagerly anticipated inaugural Esperance event has blown us away with their fantastic results and huge amount of community support. Expected to raise around \$50,000, the total to date has reached over \$201,800!

Relay drumming regulars, WASAMBA, took themselves on a roadtrip down south to spend 2 days at Esperance entertaining the masses with their very popular drumming workshops as well as opening and closing the event. As promised, Peter Pan did indeed arrive via helicopter to add to the diverse entertainment that helped make this a true community event.

There was great support from local organisations, including the Naval Cadets who did a superb job of setting up all the candlebags to form the Hope sign for the Candlelight Ceremony.

50 teams registered and setup camp, including 2 teams who came all the way from Kalgoorlie. One of these teams, Blazing Bellies, also contributed to the entertainment with some extremely popular and surprisingly interactive belly dancing performances.

The local community and businesses could not have been more welcoming and we thank them all for their support. We hope to see you all again at the next event and to make sure Relay is not forgotten, the committee are organising a Relay For Life float to be included in the local Christmas Parade this December.

Congratulations to the committee for their outstanding effort and commitment, and a big thank you to everyone who helped make this first event such a remarkable success.

Winners!

Most Original Baton

SWEAT

Best Fancy-Dressed Team

Coffee Queens

Most SunSmart Tentsite

Pink Ladies

Best Decorated Tentsite

Coffee Queens

Best Cancer Education Message

Blazing Bellies

Highest Funds Raised - Corporate

Thorpedos Blue

Highest Funds Raised - 2nd

GMF

Highest Funds Raised - 3rd

Thorpedos Gold

Highest Funds Raised - Community

24/7 Kidz Can

Highest Funds Raised - 2nd

SWEAT

Highest Funds Raised - 3rd

Payne Barrier

Highest Funds Raised - School

24/7 Kidz Can



Celebrate Remember Fight Back!

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Upcoming 2009 Events

WHEATBELT-NAREMBEEN

**10 & 11 October 3pm-10am
Recreation Ground NAREMBEEN**

wheatbeltrelayforlife@hotmail.com

ALBANY

**21 & 22 November 3pm-3pm
Collingwood Oval ALBANY**

albanyrelayforlife@hotmail.com

JOONDALUP

**24 & 25 October 3pm-3pm
Arena Joondalup**

joondaluprelayforlife@gmail.com

GERALDTON-GREENOUGH

**17 & 18 October 1pm-1pm
Wonthella Oval GERALDTON**

ggrelayforlife@westnet.com.au

BUNBURY-SOUTHWEST

**7 & 8 November 1pm-1pm
Hands Memorial Oval BUNBURY**

relayforlifebunbury@bigpond.com

PEEL-MANDURAH

**31 October & 1 November 12pm-12pm
Rushton Park Oval North MANDURAH**

peelmandurahrelayforlife@live.com.au

Register your team online at relayforlife.org.au