

Summer Race Day

Following the past two year's sizzling events, Ascot Race Course will again host a fundraising social day for the SKMRC - one of the most rewarding activities on the summer calendar.

Saturday February 7
 doors open at 10.30am
 proceedings begin at 12 noon

As well as contributing to life saving skin cancer research, each \$50 ticket offers a chance to pick up fantastic prizes, live entertainment, air conditioned comfort, guest tipster advise and food and drink vouchers.

Contact 9224 0333 or Jim Kidd Sports at Morley, Fremantle or Perth (Murray Street).

Fun and Games Help Raise Vital Funds

On October 30, 720 ABC Perth hosted the second fundraising Quiz Night in support of the Scott Kirkbride Melanoma Research Centre (SKMRC) in their East Perth studios.

The battle of the minds fired up into a challenging, competitive and entertaining night, hosted by 720 ABC Perth personality Russell Woolf, helped by other popular presenters.

Hosting a round of questions on their favourite topic and being auctioned to join the highest bidding table were Geoff Hutchison, Geraldine Mellet, and Eoin Cameron.

The night rasied more than \$6,000 for the SKMRC and was thoroughly enjoyed by all - sincere thanks goes to the nights

guests, sponsors and 720 ABC Perth.

On November 11, \$15,000 keen golfers joined in one of Scott Kirkbride's favourite past-times, as they took to the green to raise funds for his legacy.

The fourth annual Charity Golf Day at Wembley Golf Complex teed off at midday with 18 holes of golf and concluded with a dinner and auction hosted by 720 ABC Perth radio personalities Geoff Hutchison and Andrew Wynne.

The day was a great success and a big thank you goes out to all who took part in the sunny day on the course, as well as to all those who offered generous sponsorship and donations - especially the Wembley Golf Complex - we're extremely grateful for your continuous support!

Young Leader Motivated by Tragic Loss

Driven by a devastating personal loss, a young West Australian leader who hosted a fundraising luncheon for melanoma research has handed a generous donation to the SKMRC.

Angela Griffin who recently presented a \$2,500 cheque to SKMRC founder Yvonne Kirkbride as part of the Future Leaders Initiative (FLI) at Challenger TAFE, said it was her own painful experience of losing a friend to melanoma that convinced the FLI group to support the Centre as part of their first project.

"Like many people, I've lost someone close to me through melanoma cancer, and the FLI group were eager to respond when I suggested that we make the SKMRC the beneficiary of our first fundraising project," she said.

"We aim to make a difference not only in the College but also in the community, and the charity luncheon gave us the perfect opportunity to develop project management skills while helping a vital area of medical research."

Ms Griffin and colleague Stephne

Ceicys were the driving force behind the FLI's fundraising initiative.

Challenger TAFE's FLI program is made up of staff who actively undertake projects to benefit the community.

Yvonne Kirkbride said she was delighted to receive the donation, and the awareness raised by the luncheon would be crucial to their ongoing efforts.

"It means so much to us when groups take the initiative to hold fundraising events in support of the SKMRC - not only does the funding give us a well needed boost, but events like these also help to alert Western Australians about the devastating effects of skin cancer," she said.

"We are all so grateful for the brilliant work of the FLI, and while the donation will certainly help us pursue our research, we're particularly pleased that attention is being drawn to melanoma.

"It's absolutely crucial that we make people aware of how prevalent melanoma is in WA, and we've now planted a seed of awareness in all those that attended the luncheon."



Challenger TAFE's Mardi Dwyer with WAIMR Manager, Advancement Tony Hume and SKMRC founder Yvonne Kirkbride