

Relay For Life 2020 and COVID-19 (Coronavirus)

Updated 16th March 2020

The Event

Why has this event been cancelled?

Due to the high risk to public health currently posed by COVID-19 Cancer Council Tasmania has made the decision to cancel all Relay For Life events in Tasmania. We have taken the advice of the Chief Medical Officer.

While understanding the importance of this much-loved event to the local community, the health and safety of our supporters, volunteers and staff is always the most important consideration for us at Cancer Council.

When will my Relay be postponed to? Will it be postponed until next year?

Unfortunately due to logistical reasons, Relay For Life will not be postponed to a later date in 2020.

I have been on site setting up – am I at risk?

There is no known risk associated with the Relay site, however if you have specific questions about the spread of the virus and your own activities we encourage you to speak to your doctor about concerns and read the latest government advice:

https://www.dhhs.tas.gov.au/publichealth/communicable_diseases_prevention_unit/infectious_diseases

<https://www.health.gov.au/health-topics/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov>

We need you to keep fundraising

We strongly encourage you to continue banking, fundraising and donating to Relay For Life. Cancer never rests, it doesn't care about COVID-19, and we need to continue to provide our services in the community during this time.... And beyond.

Your donations have been put immediately to work - towards cancer research, cancer prevention, and our support services.

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Despite the cancellation of Relay For Life, there are still over 9 Tasmanians being diagnosed with cancer every single day.

Please continue with your fundraising events and activities. We will be here to support you every step of the way. To date, we have raised \$595,000 and our fundraising target this year is \$1,000,000. Please note that your donation receipts will be valid for claiming at tax time.

Cancer Council Tasmania is 90% funded by the Tasmanian community and we thank you for your support through Relay For Life.

Registrations

We are currently working towards a solution around paid registrations and ask that you bear with us whilst we finalise arrangements.

Relay For Life Tops

You are still eligible to collect your Relay For Life top. These can be collected from your nearest Cancer Council Tasmania office during business hours until the **30th of April**. If you wish to return your un-opened, un-used top, you can do so by visiting your local Cancer Council Tasmania office.

Celebrate, Remember, Fight Back

Celebrate – We know how much Relay For Life means to our community. It is not just an event, but an experience that leaves lasting memories. Celebrate the remaining couple of weeks of Relay season with family and friends. Celebrate relay your own way.

Remember – Relay For Life means different things to each of us. Remember the reasons you relay and share with us on Facebook.

Fight back – Keep fundraising so we can continue the fight against the disease through cancer research, and to provide support services to those impacted by cancer.

I have further questions about this – who can I speak to?

Please call 1300 65 65 85 during business hours. If you or anyone you know has cancer and are concerned, please contact our cancer nurses on 13 11 20.

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