

Relay For Life 2014



Relay For Life
Celebrate, Remember, Fight Back
Whakanui, Maumaharatia, Tū Atū!

Relay for Life 2014 was held at Te Rauparaha Arena – due to the safety concerns of Cyclone Luci, the event was held inside the Arena itself.

What is Relay For Life?

Relay For Life is an inspiring community event that gives everyone a chance to celebrate cancer survivors and caregivers; remember loved ones lost to cancer; and fight back by raising awareness and funds to support the work of the Cancer Society. Relay For Life is for people of all ages and fitness levels - anyone can take part!

What happens at Relay For Life?

Relay For Life begins with a moving Opening Ceremony, with cancer survivors and caregivers leading the first lap of the event. Next, team members take to the track. Most walk, while some prefer to jog or run. When they're not on the track, teams enjoy a festive, family-friendly environment with heaps of activities and entertainment. Later in the evening, a Candlelight Ceremony is held to remember loved ones affected by cancer. Personally-inscribed candle bags are placed around the track, and their light emits a warm glow throughout Relay venue. Team members continue to walk or jog through the night. In the morning, teams come together for an inspiring Closing Ceremony.

Why is Relay For Life held overnight?

Team members walk and jog through the night, symbolising the fact that cancer never sleeps. However, people taking part may come and go as they like.

When and where are Relays held?

Relay For Life events are usually held on weekends throughout the summer and early autumn months. While most Relay For Life events are held at local parks and reserves, some take place at universities, schools, jails and on corporate campuses. (In 2014, staff at New Zealand's Scott Base will hold a Relay For Life in Antarctica!)

Relay For Life in New Zealand

The Cancer Society's first Relay For Life was held in Palmerston North in 2001. It was a great success, and other communities around the country soon followed. Year after year, people of all ages and backgrounds take part in Relay For Life. Teams come from local businesses, clubs, families/whānau, friends, hospitals, marae, schools, churches and service organisations.

Relay For Life across the globe (1985-2014)

Relay For Life began in 1985, when Dr Gordy Klatt of Tacoma, Washington completed a 24-hour walk/run in recognition of all those affected by cancer. He asked friends and family to walk/run with him and to make a donation to the American Cancer Society.

As he circled the track, Dr Klatt thought about how other people could take part. Months later he and friend Pat Flynn organised a volunteer committee to plan the first Relay For Life event. In 1986, 19 teams took part, and an indescribable spirit filled the stadium as teams walked and ran through the night.

Since then, Relay For Life has grown into a global movement. In the year ahead, over four million people will take part in 6000+ Relay For Life events in the following countries: Australia, Belgium, Bermuda, Canada, Denmark, France, Guatemala, Honduras, India, Ireland, Jamaica, Japan, Kenya, Luxembourg, Malaysia, the Netherlands, New Zealand, the Philippines, Portugal, South Africa, the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom, the United States and Zambia.

www.relayforlife.org.nz

36 KAPIMANA NEWS, JANUARY 26, 2014

Come on Porirua, enter a team into Relay for Life Porirua 2014!



Ora Toa has entered a team and so has:

- Tommy's Real Estate Mana
- Lions Club of Titahi Bay
- Porirua Posties
- Kukimonsters
- Dawn Breakers- Porirua Sundown Rotary Club



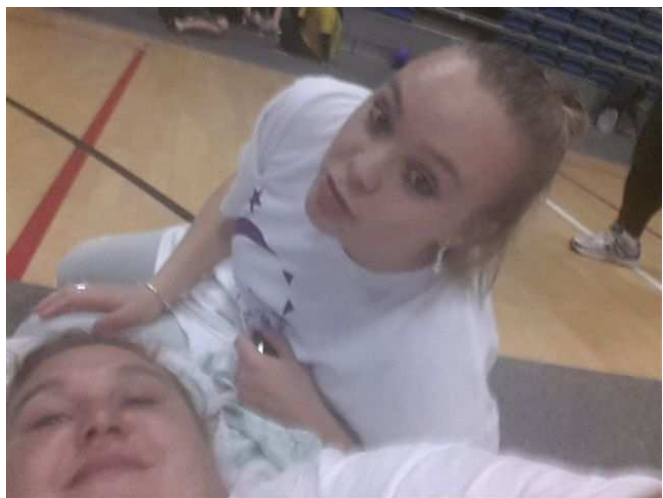
Funds raised from Relay for Life Porirua go back into the Porirua community. So let's get together and make it a big one!

When is the Relay for Life? Saturday 15th and Sunday 16th March 2014 Te Rauparaha Park Porirua

Kapi-Mana SITE Whittaker's

To enter a team - you can go to www.relayforlife.org.nz, visit the Porirua i-Site for information, visit our facebook Relay for Life Porirua or phone Tracy 021 339 324
The first 30 teams to enter win a free Whittaker's 250g chocolate block so let's get into gear!

Photos at the event





RELAY FOR LIFE PORIRUA WAS A HUGE SUCCESS

A special thank you to all our supporters and volunteers

Mana Community Grants Foundation

Pub Charity

Kapi Mana News

Mediaworks – Mai FM &

More FM

Porirua City Council

Whitireia NZ – Faculty of Arts &

Communication

Porirua City Council

iSite team

Compass Health

Ora Toa

Anchor Church

Elim Church

ATMS

Vision Media Systems

Peak Audio Productions

Carlton Party Hire

Kane Smith – Mural Artist



L-R Fred and Glynis Denz, Luamanuvao Winnie Laban, and Dr. Peter Swain.

Black Rose Florist

Takapuwahia Marae

Just Water

Community Guardians

Taeaomanino Trust

Trash Palace

The Head Family

Lions Club of Titahi Bay

Pak n Save Porirua

Mobil Paremata

Ocean Outfitters Mana

Pete's Emporium

Little India

The Mad Butcher

Whittakers Chocolate

Special Thanks to the following Performers:

Le Art - Brandon Intermediate Brianna Anglesey Jim Bailey Ariel Bamborough Dominique Duffy John Laupama - acoustic duo

Whitireia Band: Tuhan Taura Nofo Lameko Fatu Foma'i Sonny Miti Obeda Morgan Rapana

Celebrate, Remember, Fight Back!
Whakanui, Maumaharatia, Tū Atu!