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## DEBRA News December 2021

**DEBRA AUSTRALIA** supports individuals living with EB **'the worst disease you've never heard of'**. For more information about EB and our life changing programs click [here](#).

### Walk For Wings

The last week of October was EB Awareness Week and we were blown away with the support and fundraising efforts we had for our annual Walk for Wings virtual event and live events in Queensland, Western Australia and South Australia. There were over 250 people that joined in our campaign this year, even all the way from Kenya. To ensure all of our EB community could come together we had our first ever virtual trivia night which was enjoyed by many.

A big thank you goes to our volunteers who organized our live events Skye Lyons (WA), Jude Davis, Hannah Krause and Laraine Frost (SA), Sue McKenna and the Clifford and Hagan families (Qld). We are so proud that our supporters helped us raise nearly \$17,000 for all our EB families across Australia (pictured below).



Our amazing supporters supporting Walk for Wings and our Trivia night.



Our Chair's Award winner Laraine Frost and Dr Zlatko Kopecki (DEBRA Australia Director from SA)

## Chairs Award

### Chair's Award

Congratulations to Laraine Frost (pictured above) who was awarded the 2021 Chair's Award. Jenny Marty (DEBRA Australia Chair) announced at the DEBRA Australia AGM the successful recipient and thanked Laraine from South Australia who has been an active, loyal and enthusiastic supporter of DEBRA for almost 30 years. Her biggest achievement by far is being a supporter alongside Roger the developer of the Kate Turner Foundation. Her love of Kate and her support for Linda and the rest of the family has been unsurmountable over the years.

## Follow Your Dreams Grant

The Follow Your Dreams 2021 grant was awarded to Riordon in NSW. Riordon loves anything musical and theatre, so it is only fitting that her dream is to meet the crew and cast from the musical Hamilton. Congratulations Riordon and we look forward to working with you to make your dream come true.

To apply for the next annual Follow Your Dreams round for 2021/22, [please click here](#) Applications close the end of May 2022.

### Supporters

A huge thank you to Future Generation for their ongoing support over the years. Their annual donation of \$333,673 will help fund the EB Services

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Thank you to the Toombul Bowls Club in Queensland for donating \$1,400. Dean Clifford (DEBRA Ambassador) was able to attend the cheque presentation on the day.

## Advertisements

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## Save the date!



The Brighter Days Festival is back for 2022. You can now buy your Festival Tickets and Raffle tickets.

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**ANNUAL GOLF DAY**

**MELBOURNE MARKET CHARITY GOLF DAY 2022**

March 18, 2022  
9am - 4pm  
Heidelberg Golf Club

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**50KM AND 20KM EVENT**

**MORE INFO COMING IN 2022**

SAVE THE DATE 2ND APRIL

DEBRA Australia is very excited to be selected as one of the beneficiaries of the 2022 Upstream Challenge in Melbourne. More info to come.



Recently the Gordon family shared their brave story about beautiful Alexis with Kidspot. [You can read it here](#). The Gordon Family are organising a fundraiser in honour of Alexis 4th birthday in March. If you would like to donate prizes please contact [fundraising@debra.org.au](mailto:fundraising@debra.org.au) or you can support the event by making a donation - [Donate HERE](#)

## What's On

### Date Claimers

*\*Please note – events are dependent on COVID travel restrictions*

### 2022

- 11 – 13 March: Brighter Days
- 18 March: Melbourne Market Charity Golf Day, Heidelberg Golf Club 9am – 4pm.
- 26 March: Alexis Gordon's 4<sup>th</sup> Birthday Fundraiser – Shave for EB at Club Heathcote.
- 2 April: Upstream Challenge
- 29 April: EB Health Professional's Symposium
- 29 April – 1 May: Seventh National DEBRA Australia EB Conference & Children's Camp

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