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Fun Fundraising For Relay For Life

For Kaye Wannan and her work colleagues from Eve's Realty, Greerton, Cameron Rd and Bayleys taking part in Relay For Life will be an opportunity to "help out the Cancer Society in a little way".

Kaye, who lost her father to cancer last year, is keen to get in behind the Cancer Society's major fundraiser Relay For Life.

"The Cancer Society did so much to support both my dad and mum. They do so much for people with cancer this is just something small I can do to help."

As part of her fundraising efforts, Kaye and her fellow real estate colleagues will be taking to the streets of Tauranga on Saturday with a convoy of MX5 cars.

"There'll be about 22 of us taking part, either in cars or walking the streets with collection buckets."

Kaye says they wanted to do something a little bit different and a friend at work is involved with the MX5 BOP Club so they decided to make use of this connection.

"We hope it will be a good way for us to fundraise for Relay For Life but also to let people know it's on and that it's a really great community event to get involved in."

The cars and walkers will travel from Greerton to Devonport Rd from 10.30am and Kaye says it should be very interesting with everyone dressed up.

"We're all looking forward to Saturday but it'll be fun to do something as a build up to the actual Relay."

Relay For Life is being held at Tauranga Racecourse for 24-hours from midday on Saturday 24th February.

Rebecca Croad, event coordinator, says it's still not too late to sign up a team.

"We've got plenty of room so we're still encouraging people to get involved or at least to generously support those people who are taking part."

Rebecca says the public, who aren't in teams, are welcome to come down and enjoy the carnival atmosphere and to take part in some of the Relay's special moments such as the opening Survivor's Lap and the moving Candlelight Ceremony at 9pm.

"Relay For Life is an important fundraiser but it is also an amazing opportunity to celebrate the lives of cancer survivors, support those currently facing cancer and to honour those we have lost."

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“The Relay is open to everyone – businesses, schools, clubs, groups, organisations and friends and families. We want people to have fun and enjoy themselves as well as raise awareness of cancer in our community.”

For more information, visit: www.relayforlife.org.nz

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‘There is no finish line until we find a cure.’

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Waikato/Bay of Plenty Cancer Society RELAY FOR LIFE 2007 – Dates & Venues:

Tauranga Relay For Life

24th- 25th February – Tauranga Racecourse

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Hamilton Relay For Life

17th – 18th March - Claudelands Events Centre

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Editors Notes:

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We are committed to minimising the impact of cancer in our communities.

We aim to provide:

- Quality support services for people affected by cancer
- Education to promote early detection and help reduce the risk of cancer
- Free information and resources on cancer
- Support for research into the causes, prevention, detection and treatment of cancer