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Registrations Rolling In For Relay 2010

Team registrations and tent site bookings are coming hot and fast for Hamilton's Relay For Life 2010 fundraising event.

47 teams have already registered for the March 6th-7th event and many more have indicated their interest after the official launch on November 5.

Hamilton Relay For Life coordinator Catriona Findlay says teams need to get in quickly to secure their spot.

"We really encourage people to get in before Christmas so they can begin their fundraising and planning in the new year. We also want them to get in quickly so they can have their pick of the best tent sites."

Catriona says Relay For Life 2010 holds special significance, with a portion of the funds raised going to the Cancer Society's Lions Lodge Fundraising Appeal.

"The new Lodge is being built on Tainui St, Hamilton, so our Relay participants will be able to see the effects of their fundraising efforts whenever they go past."

Funds will also be used to provide other support services, health promotion programmes and information, and fund research into the diagnosis, prevention and treatment of cancer.

The event is not just a fundraiser, but also an opportunity to raise awareness of the impact cancer has in the community.

"We want to celebrate the lives of those who have overcome cancer, remember and honour those who have been lost to cancer, and fight back against a disease that affects one in three New Zealanders."

Catriona says it's easy to get involved.

"Just make up a team of a minimum of 10 people. Teams can come from anywhere – work, sports clubs, community organisations, churches, schools or family and friends.

"The aim for each team member is to raise \$100 in sponsorship for their participation in Relay For Life."

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During the relay itself, a member from each team is required to be on track at all times but a continual party atmosphere on the sidelines means those on track receive constant encouragement.

“It’s an amazing event to be involved in and so much fun – and for such a worthy cause.”

To find out more, or to register a team, contact the Cancer Society, email: admin@cancersociety.org.nz, ph: 838 2027 or call into the office on the corner of Grey and Beale Streets to pick up a team kit.

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

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**2009 Hamilton
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Editor’s Note:

The Waikato/Bay of Plenty Division of the Cancer Society of New Zealand Inc is a non-profit organisation that receives no direct financial support from the Government. We are funded by bequests and donations from the public as well as fundraising activities.

We are committed to minimising the impact of cancer in our communities by providing:

- 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

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