



Burns Support Foundation

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COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM

The Burns Support Foundation is incredibly privileged to again have had the support of the Julian Burton Burns Trust and Clipsal by Schneider Electric. Their generosity has allowed us to coordinate our November Summer camp by awarding us a Clipsal Community Grant of \$15,000.

These camps are invaluable in supporting survivors and families in creating a space where they can share experiences, form new friendships and build a support network that lasts beyond the family camp.

A Gala night not to be missed!

Mark Friday, 5th October in your diary and rally some great friends to what promises to be a fantastic night. The lovely Renee Wurzer has kindly organised this great Gala Night. For more information, please contact Reneecreech1@hotmail.com

To buy your tickets, please transfer money to the following account. **Account Name:** Matt Creech - BSF
BSB: 112 879 | **Account :** 155071284 - Please put your name as a reference & number of tickets.

Is your child over 10yrs old?



If your child is between 10-18 years of age they may attend the Children's Camp for Burns survivors which is held annually and is run by the Westmead Children's Hospital staff. If you would like to attend or receive further information please contact Cheri at the Physiotherapy Department on (02) 9845 3369 or Sandra at the Social Work department on (02) 9845 2641.

Annual General Meeting

Our Annual General Meeting (AGM) details are below and we would love for you to attend.

Date: Tuesday, 20th November 2018
Time: 6pm
Location: Westmead Children's Hospital – Physio department.

Committee Members

President: Cheri Templeton

Vice President: Sandra Pittaro

Treasurer: Barry Lowe

Camp Coordinator: Margaret Jackson

Support Coordinator: Sandra Spalding

Committee Members: Sarah Allen, Zinta Bruzgulis, Erin Fountain, Hugh Martin

Karen Doyle, Kristy Orlovsky



Renee Creech with her son Cody, 9, who was eating two-minute noodles when he accidentally burnt 15 per cent of his body.

When nine-year-old Cody Creech spilt noodles and boiling water onto himself, his mum knew it was serious. He suffered burns to 15 per cent of his body and was airlifted from Queanbeyan Hospital to Westmead Children's Hospital in Sydney.

"The skin just came off... all of the skin peeled off," said his mother, Renee Creech.

"We had no idea something so simple would lead to that," she said. But Cody's experience is not uncommon.

Last year, nearly 80 per cent of burn injuries to children happened in the home, according to a report from the Burns Registry of Australia and New Zealand. Scalds from hot drinks, water from saucepans or food were the most common causes of burns in children, causing 57 per cent of injuries, according to the report.

ACT public hospital emergency department statistics show the number of children aged up to 15 treated for burns has increased over four years, from 143 cases in 2013 to 212 cases in 2017.

Clinical nurse consultant Catherine Campbell said the increase in reported burns may be because more parents were taking their children to hospital for burn treatment.

Ms Campbell urged parents to remain vigilant of children around hot objects, particularly in the winter.

"Prevention is the key to reducing burn injuries," she said. "Young skin is very tender and easily damaged. Young skin is very, very precious. Being aware of first aid for burns has an enormous impact on the severity of the burn."

"Parents need to be aware that the only first aid for a burn is cold running water for 20 minutes... cover and seek medical attention. It can be seven to 10 days until the extent of the burn injury is revealed. The right first aid treatment can be the difference between a superficial rather than deep burn."

Six months on from the accident, Cody is back playing football and has joined the Burns Support Foundation, which cares for burn victims and their families through a variety of activities.

"The kids just bond and play as kids who have been through similar situations," Mrs Creech said.

She wants to teach her son one important lesson from his experience. "It doesn't matter if you have a scar on your leg ... everybody is different," she said.

The Creech family is hosting a gala night on October 5 to raise funds for the Burns Support Foundation. For more information contact Reneecreech1@hotmail.com.

~ *By Laura Chung from The Canberra Times*

Donations - Thank you to all those who kindly donated to our charity. Clipsal, Dr Fairly, Miller family, Newson family,

Anonymous Donors,
Go Fund Me donors.

Contact the Foundation if you have not received your tax deductible receipt.



Become a Volunteer

We are always looking for helping hands so get in touch if you are interested in being part of the team.





Save the date

Winter Camp: 17-19 May 2019

Site: Stanwell Tops



Burns Support Foundation

Like us on Facebook to keep up to date on all the latest happenings and camp photos.

Winter Camp 2018

The Burns Support Foundation would like to thank all the families and friends who attended a wonderful camp at Stanwell Tops Campsite. It was a fun and memorable camp for all those who attended.



Lutanda - Toukley

You can expect so much fun at our next camp at Lutanda Toukley.

Activities may include Friday night BBQ, archery, bmx, beach activities, bush initiatives, giant swing, flying fox, abseiling, and sessions with Sandra Spalding (Support Coordinator). After a day of fun activities, you can also expect some Saturday night entertainment. Fun for all the family no matter what age!



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INVITATION

Reach us on 0438 906 617



Camp Corroborree

Registered Charity: CNF 13805

August 2018

Sausage sizzle will be available on Friday from 6pm.

Friday Fun begins @ 8pm

Important Information

Camp Cost:

Adult: 13yrs & up: \$95
 Child: 8yrs – 12yrs: \$75
 4yrs – 7yrs: \$55
 3yrs & under: Free

Non-Related:

12yrs & over: \$215
 4 to 12yrs: \$165

Holding Deposit

Deposit \$20.00 per person (NON-REFUNDABLE).

Deposit must be paid by 1st October 2018

Due to high demand we have limited spaces and can only secure your booking with your FULL deposit. (e.g. Family of 5 people to send \$100 as holding deposit).

Room Allocation

Due to popularity, we may ask extended family members to share a room.

Activities

Friday night games, Archery, BMX, Giant Swing, Abseiling, High ropes and sessions with Sandra Spalding (Support Coordinator).

The **Burns Support Foundation** invites you to the Summer Family Camp of 2018. We have fun and exciting activities on offer or you may choose quiet relaxation and contemplation. Whatever your preference we guarantee that you will meet some wonderful folk and possibly make some special friends. We aim for an accepting and caring environment.



The Burns Support Foundation's next family camp is at:
Lutanda Toukley – 32B Evans Road, Toukley NSW 2263
Friday, 16th- 18th November 2018
<http://www.lutanda.org.au/>

CAMP QUERIES: 0438 906 617 or info@burnssupportfoundation.org.au

SECURING YOUR PLACE AT THE CAMP: Please complete the form below with the names and age of each family member. Please specify who is the Burn survivor and a contact phone number to reach you on. An Information Pack will be sent upon receipt so get in early and pay your deposit so you don't miss out on this weekend of fun.

Please Note: All camp forms **must be** returned prior to the camp for processing by **1st October 2018**.

Please return the below Application Form: Lutanda 2018

Please identify who the Burn survivor is by adding a **(S)** after their name. Please also add any additional names if required.

Name.....Age:

Name.....Age:

Name.....Age:

Name.....Age:

Name.....Age:

Address.....

Phone number: (H).....(M).....

Email Address:.....

Next of Kin: Ph:

Payment

Amount: \$..... being for people.

Please make cheques payable to the **Burns Support Foundation**.

Or **EFT to BSB: 112-879 Account: 155731431**. Please ensure you place your **name as the reference**.

Please post to **PO Box 476, Paddington NSW 2021** or scan and email to: info@burnssupportfoundation.org.au