

Media release

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JOIN MNDAWA IN THE WALK TO D'FEET MND

Registrations are now open for the 2017 “Walk to d’Feet MND” – the annual fundraiser held on Sunday 7 May 2017 at Perry Lakes Reserve Floreat for the Motor Neurone Disease Association of WA (MNDAWA).

MNDAWA is calling for participants to register and to walk in honour, memory, or hope for the progressive, terminal neurological disease that affects more than 2000 Australians annually.

Marking the beginning of national MND week, this event is aiming to attract more than 800 participants this year. Each state holds their own “Walk to d’Feet MND” and to date WA has raised over \$200,000 through this fundraising event.

Walking 4km together around Perry Lakes Reserve, participants are then treated to food and beverage vendors, a raffle, as well as children’s activities. Hope, the MNDAWA mascot will be there to cheer on the walkers, as will MC of the event, media personality and MNDAWA patron Narelda Jacobs. There will be prizes for best-dressed team and highest individual and team fundraisers.

The event commences at 8am when registrations open, with the walk setting off at 10am from the corner of Underwood Avenue and Perry Lakes Drive.

This is the second time the “Walk to d’Feet MND” event has been held at Perry Lakes Reserve, moving from Burswood Park. Each year the participant numbers grow, as does the awareness generated and funds raised.

Gavin Connaughton, Executive Officer of MNDAWA said that ‘every dollar raised from “Walk to d’Feet MND” will go towards providing vital care and support services for people living with MND in WA. We are very lucky to be partnered in this event with some long term sponsors allowing MNDAWA to run a successful event’.

‘This event is also a special time for families who have lost someone through MND to come together, and to show their support for MNDAWA.

To register for “Walk to d’Feet MND” please visit : www.walktodfeetwa.com.au or contact 6457 7355. There are family passes, as well as adult and child registrations.

New this year is the option of completing a virtual “Walk to d’Feet MND” for those people who are unable to attend the walking event on the day.

MNDAWA is a registered charity providing specialized care coordination and emotional support through the MND Advisory Service, connecting those living with MND, their carers and families to the services they require. The Association also provides education and information, equipment, wheelchair accessible transport, support groups, and funding.

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