

SYDNEY RESIDENTS URGED TO SUPPORT INAUGURAL BLACK RIBBON BALL TO FUND MELANOMA RESEARCH

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Sydney residents are urged to join the fight against 'Australia's national cancer' by attending the inaugural Black Ribbon Ball at the Four Seasons Hotel.

The black-tie event is being hosted by two families who have been affected by melanoma. Natalie and Nadine Chudleigh lost their father Brian to melanoma, and Lisa Hanlon has watched her sister fight the disease.

Natalie, Nadine and Lisa know too well how important it is to raise funds for research to find a cure for the disease, which kills one Australian every five hours. It is the most common cancer affecting 15 to 39 year old Australians.

"We have both had immediate family members as well as number of friends touched by melanoma," Natalie said. "There is currently no cure for melanoma and we will not stop until one is found", Lisa added.

The Black Ribbon Ball will be held on 6 October to raise money for Melanoma Institute Australia which is a world leader in melanoma research.

Guest speaker will be melanoma survivor and Melanoma Institute Australia's Community Coordinator Jay Allen, who recently walked 1200km from Brisbane to Sydney to raise money for vital research.

The night will be hosted by Professor James Arvanitakis from Western Sydney University and will include a three course meal, beverage package, and entertainment by The Press Club band.

Tickets are \$185.00 and \$1750.00 for a table of 10 people. They are available for purchase at www.humanitix.com/event/brmia . Corporate sponsorship and donations are most welcome. For any inquiries please contact Lisa, Natalie and Nadine at blackribbonball@gmail.com.

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