

The Burn Support Group Spring Newsletter

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If you think fire has a devastating effect on skin, imagine what it does to self-esteem

Phantom Billboards Raising The Burn Community Profile...

Burn Support Group were extremely excited with this project, great success has been achieved in raising the awareness and capturing attention in relation to burns.

With support from the very talented photographer Fraser Clements, along with the skilled crew from Vision Thing, spectacular created posters were on display throughout Auckland for 2 weeks, commencing 1 July 2020 and featuring on 8 billboards, at locations around Auckland.

Burn Support Group are truly appreciative of this project's collaboration. The continued support, time and effort is incredibly rewarding for all those involved: Fraser Clements, Vision Thing and Phantom Billboards. A very special mention to two extraordinary, brave and inspiring ladies: Donna Gregory-Marshall and Heather Stewart for their truly amazing courage as the poster models...

Vision Thing is an Auckland-based creative consultancy founded by Dom Antelme and Ian Sweeney.

"We love what the Burn Support Group do. Although we haven't been affected by severe burns ourselves, we have friends and family who are. So we leaped at the opportunity to help the charity in any way we could. We're blown away by the people we've met on this journey. Their courage and their commitment to improving the lives of burn survivors."

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A massive thank you to The Lions Foundation NZ

B.S.G has been granted \$10,000.00 towards the upcoming 2021 Annual Children's Burn Camp. This generous funding will contribute to the accommodation, catering and activities to be provided. On behalf of all of us we certainly appreciate and acknowledge this gesture.....

Southern Stars Telemarketing Campaign



Thank you to the hardworking team at Sth. Stars, this has been a difficult year for many as we all are aware, the B.S.G would like to acknowledge and share how extremely grateful they feel from the generosity of the public which raised a terrific \$60,000.00 towards supporting the burn community. These welcome funds will contribute to the many initiatives that are in place and available now and will provide a platform to continue to expand moving ahead into 2021.



Sugar Club & Scenic Hotels Raffle Ticket Winner....

Was won by VICKI HIRST, Congratulations to Vicki with her wonderful prize. Many thanks to all those that purchased tickets supporting the 2020 Women's Burn Retreat..

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Thank you to all our sponsors.....

During this difficult year for so many, the continued donations, discounted venues and support gifted to the B.S.G received via sponsors, larger organisations and the general public have allowed us to continue with many of the existing events...

We wish to express our sincere gratitude for ALL involved..









Yes I want to make a difference to the lives of burn survivors and their families



All donations to the BSG are tax deductible and receipted. Charities Commission No: CC48691.

Survivor Sunday....



Fortunately we were able to hold S/Sunday in July, thank you to Sam Barnes for giving a very insightive presentation and displaying safe precautions around the home. Thank you to B.B.Y.C for the wonderful venue and to the great company attending. As we all know this is a particularly difficult year for planning events which sadly lead to the cancellation of September S/Sunday, but watch this space... confirmation for December will be advised...



Thank you to Emma Gils...

This year B.S.G were very kindly involved with PACU nurses at Middlemore Hospital. With an invitation from Emma Gils, Clinical Speciality Nurse to present at education sessions on the long term effects of burns and the support as a Charity we can provide. The 3 sessions attended proved extremely positive for all involved. Thank you to DONNA GREGORY-MARSHALL, HEATHER STEWART and BELINDA McKENZIE, the ladies shared their journeys as burn survivors resulting in informative Q & A conversations...

Choice

is the most powerful tool we have. Everything boils down to choice. We exist in a field of infinite possibilities. Every choice we make shuts an infinite number of doors and opens an infinite number of doors. At any point we can change the direction of our lives by a simple choice. It is all in our hands, our hearts, and our minds.



Waikato Burn Patients & Staff donated....

This month B.S.G were extremely pleased to provide a Bluetooth radio for the burns dressing unit, Ward 7, Waikato Burns Unit. Music is often looked at as a therapy and distraction during what can be a delicate, painful and lengthy process. Along with this item the staff requested 2x Ear Sensor Probes.

The ear probe attachments for the pulse oximeter will be extremely beneficial to the burns unit. The probes will enable the nurses to obtain an accurate oxygen saturation and pulse readings when caring for patients with burns to bilateral hands as it becomes difficult to obtain accurate results from the finger probe due to patients' dressings and burn injuries.

Testimonial shared by BROOKE NEILL, Burn Clinical Nurse Specialist.

Thank you to Ward 7, as always a wonderful warm welcome .



Burn Support Group Charitable Trust, **Inc Auckland**

MISSION STATEMENT

Our goal is to improve the lives of burn survivors and lower the incidents of burn injuries.















Aroha Andrew

Belinda McKenzie

Chari Codii

Delwyn Breslau

Donna Gregory-Marshall

Heather Stewart

Holly Timms

Jane Swinburn

Welcome To The Ladies Attending 2020 Women's Burn Retreat

Fortunately this year's Retreat has still been able to go ahead, 20 ladies will be attending during the 4th - 7th September. Another wonderful event which will include inspiring guest speakers, workshops and pampering, while creating connections that will last a lifetime.

Sadly this year in light of the world's circumstances ladies from Australia have not been able to attend however like everyone, fingers crossed this will differ for 2021. A very warm welcome to those throughout the country that will be partaking for the first time along with familiar faces that are returning... Castaways Resort is a perfect venue providing stunning views and tranquility.. Thank you to Danielle and her team for their continued support and patience..







Rachel Ford









Jillian Senior

Judy Hohioa

Marie-Charlotte



Sandi O'Connor

Serena Rudd

Sweeta Bajay Valee More

Campers Start Thinking For Your Grant-A-Wish

This year saw the introduction of the GRANT-A-WISH initiative. Campers had 4 days to talk, discuss, share dreams, inventions and treats before putting their wish on paper.

On the last day of Camp one of the lucky campers had their wish pulled out the bucket and this was SUZY COOPER, from Taranaki and a first timer for camp. Suzy along with her sister were in Auckland during March and they fulfilled her dream of wanting to go horse riding. Thank you to AROBRIDGE EQUINE, Clevedon for accommodating this wish

