



Burn Support Group Charitable Trust, Inc.

Newsletter

SPRING 2015

LOCK IN THESE DATES:

Charity Race Night @
Alexandra Park Raceway -
Friday 13 November, 2015

Phoenix Society World Burns
Congress (Indianapolis, USA)
October 21 - 24

Burn Support Group Christmas
Party Sunday 6 December

Kids Fair Family Expo @ ASB
Showgrounds - 16 & 17
January, 2016

CAMP AWHI - NZ Children's
Camp @ Piha Mill - 25 - 29
January, 2016

Burn Survivor Sunday
(Auckland) - Sunday 13 March

Phoenix Society World Burn
Congress 2016 (Providence,
Rhode Island, USA) - 19 - 23
October 2016

**We are now at
Kidz First at Middlemore
Hospital in the Lounge
area on Monday's from
10 - 11am.**



Burn Support News

Spring is here! The flowers are in bloom, lambs are springing around the fields and Daylight Savings has just been. We all know that means when we changed our clocks, we should have checked our smoke alarms.

There have been 22 possibly avoidable deaths this year so far from fires where its been reported that there have been issues with smoke alarms. Lets keep it at that and not add to that number.



NEW WEBSITE

Have you checked out our new website? We have upgraded our website to make it easier to find information. We have included all events we will be involved in, a kids page, resources, camp information and application forms, inspirational stories, previous newsletters and general information on where to find help. Go and take a look:

www.burns.org.nz

CALLING ALL CAMPERS!!

We have a new venue for our children's camp this year - **Piha Mill Camp**. The camp runs from Monday 25 January through to Friday 29 January 2016. Spread the word - we would love to see some new faces!!

Piha Mill Camp is only 60 minutes from central Auckland. It is situated at the foot of the Waitakere ranges heritage area and is surrounded by the magnificence of native and exotic bush.

If you have a burn injury and are between the ages 7 - 17 years, we invite you to attend our annual camp. The camp is completely free of charge. Contact nikki@burns.org.nz



Mr Quick Cool says:
**"Seconds to burn,
BUT at least
20 minutes to cool !!!"**

Lets be friends on Facebook.

[www.facebook.com/
burnsupportgroup](http://www.facebook.com/burnsupportgroup)



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BURN SURVIVOR SUPPORT SUNDAY



Thirty people met together on Sunday the 27th September at Alan & Delwyn Breslau's home for a 'Burn Survivor Support Sunday.'

There were burn survivors (old and newcomers), family members, Burn Support Group board members and staff, nurses, med students, volunteers and a TV cameraman who is capturing footage of the people who are going to the World Burn Congress. Hadyn Jones who is doing the documentary will also follow the crew to the congress in Indianapolis to continue filming over there also.

Everyone spoke about their stories and supported one another. The nurses Colleen and Toni spoke passionately about their work as burn nurses and their heartfelt empathy with burn patients.

Alan and Delwyn as always gave great advice and inspired the group. Thank you Delwyn for your support and for your hospitality.

Our next get together will be at our Annual Christmas Party on Sunday 6 December.

The next Burn Survivor Support Sunday will be Sunday 13 March, 2016.

LA-Z-BOY DONATION TO HUTT HOSPITAL

Recently Burn Support Group facilitated with Harvey Norman to donate two La-Z-Boy chairs to Hutt Hospital. Burn Support Group currently donate to both Middlemore and Waikato Hospital burns units, but wanted to offer our support to other units around New Zealand. Hutt Hospital plastics and burns unit nurse manager Angela Gillman said the chairs would be a pleasure for survivors and their families to relax in. Thank you to Harvey Norman for the fantastic donation.



The Beauty of Disfigurement - by Alan Breslau

Over the 50 years since his accident, Alan has developed many concepts, theories and strategies to help disfigured people cope with the many problems and challenges facing them in their day to day lives. You can purchase this book through the Burn Support Group for \$30 plus \$5 p&p.

A percentage of sales goes to Burn Support



BEHIND THE SCENES SHOOTING BIG REVIEW TV

The Big Review TV platform integrates multi-media to provide a go to hub for people to search, view and review businesses, events and destinations.

It will provide an interactive video environment, which allows people to search for Burn Support Group Charitable Trust. One of the main things people say is "I didn't know you existed", so hopefully this is another avenue to get Burn Support Group's name out there. Keep an eye out for us www.bigreviewtv.com Here are a few pictures from "behind the scenes" of our ambassador Dillon Boucher and patrons Alan and Delwyn Breslau.



MISS NORTH HARBOUR CHOOSES BSG

Brooke Houia recently won the crown of Miss North Harbour NZ 2015. Brooke was the youngest in the competition. The 17 year old entered the pageant to "give it a go".

We are happy to announce that Brooke would like to fundraise and raise awareness of the amazing things Burns Support Group Charitable Trust do.

She will be attending our annual Charity Race Night in November wearing her crown and sash and also will attend our Children's Camp as a counsellor.

Brooke's mother Tracey-Maree is a burn survivor. Brooke has adopted Tracey-Maree's vision "Beauty is skin deep, Beautiful is soul deep" and wishes to help our youth be more confident within themselves.

CHARITY RACE NIGHT

This years Charity Race Night is just around the corner. Get some friends together and help us raise funds towards sending our burn survivor children to a FREE camp in January 2016 . Great night for an early Christmas function. Contact Nikki at nikki@burns.org.nz for more information on the function, the children's camp or for tickets. You can also order your tickets on our website at <http://www.burns.org.nz/events/>

Thank you to Johnson Raela from Flava Radio Station who will be our MC for the night.

Thank you to Keith Dowdle from Custom Residential Ltd who will be our Auctioneer on the night.

Thank you to Francois Stapleberg, Mata La'akulu, Darlene Fenton, and Delwyn Breslau who will be our guest speakers for the night.

A BIG THANK YOU to our donors who have donated goods for the evening so far - Not For Me, The Seafood School, Mikano restaurant, SKYCITY NZ Breakers, Healthy Food Guide, Kelly Tarltons, Villa Maria, Paradise Valley Springs, Strandbags, The Body Shop, Pascoes, Briscoes, Infasecure,

CHARITY RACE NIGHT
FRIDAY 13th NOVEMBER 2015
Alexandra Park Raceway, Greenlane

supporting
Burn Support Group
Charitable Trust

If you can't make it, please make a donation!

Come and join in the fun for our Fundraising Event.
Enjoy live racing, live and silent auctions, delicious food and entertainment!

Proceeds from ticket sales help to facilitate our annual children's camp for children recovering from burn injuries

Tickets only cost \$65
Dinner and Dessert and drink on arrival included

Purchase your ticket now!
Call: 021 873 038
Email: nikki@burns.org.nz

Doors open: 5pm
Racing begins: 6pm

www.burns.org.nz www.alexpark.com.nz

THE BABY SHOW

The Baby show was held this year in late August. A fabulous event with soon to be parents, or parents of babies / toddlers. Burn Support Group manned a stand to educate people on our burn prevention messages.

Our photo board was a real eye opener for a lot of people, with a lot of people stopping to talk about it. A lot of people couldn't believe the injuries and scars were from simple things like a hot drink being left on a bench. We feel like we got our messages on burn prevention out to a lot of new parents. According to Safekids Aotearoa, every day a child is burned severely enough to be admitted into hospital. Of 1 to 2 year olds admitted to hospital due to severe burns, over half are caused by spilt hot drinks and other liquids.



Alan Breslau manning our stand

THE BUDDY CLUB

Buddy Club is held on Thursday's for the elderly and disabled community in and around Manurewa, Auckland. A small group amongst them kindly give



up their time to support Burn Support Group by making up resource packs as required. Some even use their own time at home to generously assist us. The centre is open from 9:30am - 1pm each week. Burn Support Group appreciate their support and contribution.

Recently Alan and Delwyn Breslau and Erik Molving spoke to the group and shared their stories.



THANK YOU'S

Thank you to Selwyn Cook from Z station in Hamilton for their \$200 donation!!



A big THANK YOU to Andrew Hutt from Infasure. Andrew was so impressed with our charity at the Baby Show that he wanted to donate a carseat to our charity night. He is pictured here with Michele from Burn Support Group.



Thank you to Fresh Choice, Half Moon Bay for a \$260 donation.

Huge thanks to the Kaitaia RSA for a \$300 donation.

Thank you to the Four Winds Foundation for \$500 towards Darlene Fenton's airfare to the World Burn Congress.

ADVERTISING

Are you a burn survivor or the parent/ caregiver or a friend of a burn survivor and feel that others might benefit from and be encouraged by you sharing your experience, please contact us and tell us about it.

if you would like to help contribute towards the production and distribution of our newsletter in return for advertising contact - nikki@burns.org.nz

If you have any concerns about the contents of this newsletter please don't hesitate in contacting us.

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

Please accept my donation of \$

Details:

My email address is:

I'd like to donate by:

Online at www.burns.org.nz OR

Enclosed cheque made payable to Burn Support Group Charitable Trust. (PO Box 97164, Manukau City, Auckland 2241)

Please contact me about:

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