

On behalf of the Geelong Region Cancerians (GRC), thank you for reading this Awareness Bulletin. Previous editions are available on the GRC Website.



Since formation of the Geelong Region Cancerians (GRC) in March 2018 committed volunteers have run a variety of fundraisers and three highly informative discussion panels for the benefit of the Geelong community.

At those events women have been encouraged to be tested and where necessary treated for uterine cancer. The outcomes often resulted in prompt action being taken and making a significant difference to lives.

UTERINE CANCER INFORMATION CARD

Uterine cancer is the most commonly diagnosed gynaecological cancer in Australia. These words are printed at the top of an information card published by the GRC. On the front and back of the card it lists the symptoms, risk factors, diagnosis, cancer types and a statement about treatment.

Thank you to the Lions Club of Geelong Breakfast for their sponsorship which enabled the printing of the uterine cancer information cards.

The cards are being distributed via obstetrics and gynaecological specialists, doctors rooms, medical centres, professional rooms of allied health, and are available for people to take away. Please email info@geelongregioncancerians.com.au if you would like to obtain some of the information cards or know a suitable location where the free cards can be displayed.



INFORMATION EVENING

Cancer: Beyond the Diagnosis proved to be a most informative topic for the GRC panel discussion presented in partnership with the Geelong Region Library Corporation last month.

The successful event sponsored by Hayeswinckle was of particular benefit for one attendee who was diagnosed with uterine cancer only weeks before the information evening, as the content of the presentations from Sue McGrath, Jules Haddock and Peter Murrihy was timely and of great benefit to her.

Allana Goldsworthy, MC for the second year in a row, moderated an informative Q & A session after the delivery of the three messages.

After the drawing of the raffle donated by Community Care Chemist Geelong West, a presentation was made by Australian Cancer Research Foundation (ACRF) Philanthropy Manager Victoria Bonsey to Phillipa Challis OAM in recognition of her founding the GRC.

A big thank you to each of the presenters, MC, sponsor and raffle donor for their contribution to the GRC raising awareness about uterine cancer and funds for research into all cancers.

DONATIONS

As a result of the GRC fundraising efforts over the past twelve months \$12,500 has been donated to the ACRF. This takes the total raised over the past four years to just under \$67,000. Each year the ACRF awards grants for research to be undertaken into all cancers.

Perhaps you would like to make a donation for a loved one as a gift at this time of year. To do so visit

www.geelongregioncancerians.com.au where you will also find the locations of the GRC canisters around Geelong if you would like to give in person.



GRC COMMITTEE

If you would like to align with the mission of the GRC for the need to raise awareness of uterine cancer and funds for research into all cancers, please consider being part of the committee for the next year.

Expressions of interest are being sought by 14 January 2023 for four committee roles including the vacated position of chair, and may be directed to ACRF Philanthropy Manager Victoria

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SEASONS GREETINGS

May the Festive Season lead into a year of good health, much happiness and joy, for you and your families.

Further locations can be found on our website www.geelongregioncancerians.com.au