

# **ANNUAL REVIEW 2017**





“From increasing awareness about cancer risks such as obesity, encouraging people to screen for bowel cancer, funding innovative research, and providing vital support – we were able to make a difference in 2017.”

**Todd Harper**  
CEO



“There are so many people in our community who contribute to the work we do – whether it’s giving their time or supporting us financially, and it’s only because of this that we were able to make an impact.”

**Maria Trinci**  
Chair of the Board

## WHO WE ARE

Cancer Council Victoria is a non-profit organisation involved in cancer research, prevention and support.

### Our mission

Prevent Cancer  
Empower Patients  
Save Lives

### Our values

Excellence  
Integrity  
Compassion

### About this report

This report is designed to give our stakeholders an insight into the diversity of the services delivered by Cancer Council Victoria during 2017. The complete 2017 Annual Review and complete financial reports are available at [cancervic.org.au/annual-report](http://cancervic.org.au/annual-report)

# With the community's help, here is just some of what we achieved in 2017 to help prevent cancer, empower patients and save lives.

We helped launch an evidence-based **8-Point** obesity prevention action plan




25 countries took part in the McCabe Centre for Law and Cancer's legal training



Our cancer nurses responded to **11,429** requests for support




Our research found prolonged sitting increases an individual's bowel cancer risk by **40%+**



Our television ad 'Spread' about the link between cancer and alcohol motivated drinkers to reduce consumption




Established an **Economics of Cancer** program to identify the best ways to improve screening, prevention, treatment & support




**Risk** **Reward**  
 Venture Grants Scheme researchers reached their milestones and embarked on their final year



Our researchers led a project identifying **72 new** genetic variants that contribute to the risk of developing breast cancer



Developed a campaign to improve participation in bowel screening from **37% to 50% by 2021**



We developed a best practice cancer care pathway for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people



'Victory Against Cancer' raised **\$50,000** for research



**5,233** Victorians generously volunteered their time



## Implement powerful cancer prevention programs for major cancer risk factors: tobacco, UV, diet, obesity and alcohol



Our Aboriginal Quitline specialists  
Jamara Maza and Tokerau Williams.

### Community and Quitline working together

Lakes Entrance Aboriginal Health Association (LEAHA) and Aboriginal Quitline (AQL) developed an Australian-first 'shared care' model to provide best practice support to help Aboriginal people in Gippsland quit smoking.

Smokers have face-to-face meetings with Tackling Indigenous Smoking workers (a program delivered by LEAHA), with AQL providing telephone counselling between meetings and when extra support is needed.

LEAHA and AQL exchange information on client progress to ensure care is seamless and tailored to the individual's needs. This model has been showcased as a best-practice approach at state and national Tackling Indigenous Smoking forums.

**Quitline** is an increasingly popular support method for Aboriginal Victorians to cut down or quit.

For more information about our work to reduce the impact of cancer on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples, visit [cancervic.org.au/aboriginal-communities](http://cancervic.org.au/aboriginal-communities)

### Slip! Slop! App!

**SunSmart** launched a new augmented reality app, seeUV. The app is an exciting and innovative new way to raise awareness of the dangers of UV radiation, which is the major cause of skin cancer.

The app was developed in collaboration with Deakin University's Software and Technology Innovation Laboratory and supported by the Victorian Government.

### Free toys have powerful influence on what kids want to eat

A recent study involving more than 900 Australian children aged five to nine years found that when a movie character toy was offered with a meal, children were more likely to want that meal, regardless of what the meal consisted of.

The study, led by Cancer Council Victoria's Senior Research Fellow Dr Helen Dixon, suggested that this type of marketing would be put to better use to promote healthier foods to kids instead of junk food.

## Mobilise community participation in cancer screening and immunisation programs

### A simple home test could save your life

Bowel cancer kills four times more Victorians than road accidents. Bowel cancer accounts for the second highest number of cancer deaths in Victoria, but if picked up early, 90 per cent of bowel cancers can be successfully treated.

Luckily, there is a very effective at-home test that can help detect bowel cancer in its early stages, even when there are no symptoms or warning signs. The screening test is sent to eligible Australians (who are between the ages of 50–74), as part of the National Bowel Cancer Screening Program (NBCSP). However, at the moment, only around 40 per cent of Victorians actually do the test.

We are determined to change this and see participation increase to 50 per cent by 2021. To help achieve this target we launched a bowel cancer screening awareness campaign.

In response to this campaign it was anticipated that more than 20,000 extra Victorians would screen for bowel cancer in 2017. If participation in the NBCSP continues to rise, as many as 1 million Victorians are expected to be screened for bowel cancer by 2027.

The purpose of the campaign was to encourage Victorians to either take the test when they receive it in the mail, or to encourage a loved one to take the test.

We reached out to the public via digital advertising, television, radio and stories published in major and regional news outlets. We had conversations with GPs asking them to encourage patients aged 50–74 to take the test. We also identified culturally and linguistically diverse communities that had lower rates of screening and provided additional educational resources to encourage taking the at-home test.

### One test, two lives saved

After receiving and completing the at-home screening test, Charlie discovered he had bowel cancer. Thankfully, his cancer was detected early and he was successfully treated.

After his diagnosis, Charlie's family were encouraged to undergo screening. His sister Marg was later diagnosed with a more advanced form of bowel cancer but, due to early detection, Marg is now in remission.

Thanks to the NBCSP, Marg and Charlie have proven strong advocates for the importance of early cancer detection and prevention.



### New cervical test more effective

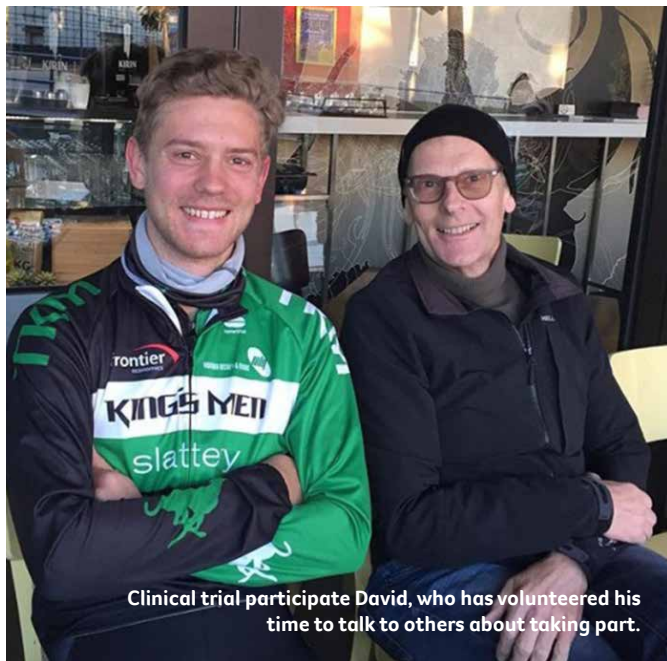
In 2017 we farewellled PapScreen Victoria and welcomed a new, even more effective National Cervical Screening Program.

From 1 December 2017, all women aged between 25 and 74 years will be invited to have a Cervical Screening Test every five years. This test will replace two-yearly Pap tests. The new test is more effective than, and just as safe as a Pap test. In fact, the renewed cervical

screening program is expected to further reduce cervical cancer rates and deaths by at least 20 per cent.

PapScreen Victoria has been in operation for 26 years, over which time the incidence and mortality rate of cervical cancer in Australian women has halved. Additionally, screening rates increased in Victoria to become the highest in the country with a participation rate of 61.6 per cent.

# Empower patients by delivering dynamic, credible information and compassionate support



Clinical trial participant David, who has volunteered his time to talk to others about taking part.

Talking with volunteers like David over the phone provides people considering participating in a clinical trial with an opportunity to discuss their concerns. They can get a better understanding of what to expect and it can help them to know where to start the conversation with their health professional.

## Helping to communicate

Health professionals are often required to deliver distressing news or discuss challenging topics such as death and dying. These conversations can be stressful and we know that health professionals who regularly have these kinds of conversations without professional training are at an increased risk of burnout.

Our communication training programs can help health professionals to discuss difficult cancer-related issues more effectively with patients, their families and friends.

Dr Hayden Richards, Emergency Physician at Barwon Health, who attended the program said, “The emergency department lies at the hub of the health system and as such serves up the full spectrum of communication challenges. The opportunity to practise and build communication skills and immerse myself in the presence of such a talented group of people was invaluable.

*“I left the course with a toolbox brimming with new skills that I can apply immediately to my practice.”*

## Enthusiastic trial participant

David has participated in four clinical cancer trials and is now one of our **Trial Connect** volunteers. These volunteers are available to share their experiences and encourage others to consider participating in a trial.

“Most people who participate in a trial get access to novel treatments and are motivated by the possibility that their involvement will improve the lot for fellow cancer patients,” says David.



**11,429**  
requests for support from our nurses



**120**  
cancer support groups met to share experiences



**236**  
wigs for people experiencing hair loss



**\$240,000**  
of financial assistance provided to 1,227 people



**104**  
short holiday breaks provided

# Maximise the impact of cancer research and data

## Investing in collaboration

Collaboration plays an important role in research conducted by our **Centre for Epidemiology and Intelligence Division** and **Centre for Behavioural Research in Cancer**. It's the vehicle for new initiatives through which we are able to acquire new knowledge for cancer control.

Seventy-two new genetic variants that contribute to the risk of developing breast cancer have been identified through a major international collaboration involving 550 researchers from 3,000 different institutions across six continents, including Cancer Council Victoria.

Associate Professor Roger Milne, Head of the Cancer Epidemiology and Intelligence Division and one of the lead investigators on the study said, "These findings add substantially to our understanding of the inherited causes of breast cancer. This study also allowed us to confirm many genetic variants that we had previously suspected were implicated in breast cancer risk, and why women with a family history have a higher risk of breast cancer."

The results of this study are likely to provide a basis for a change in the way we practise breast screening for early detection of breast cancer and should provide guidance for a lot of future research.

## Investing in innovation

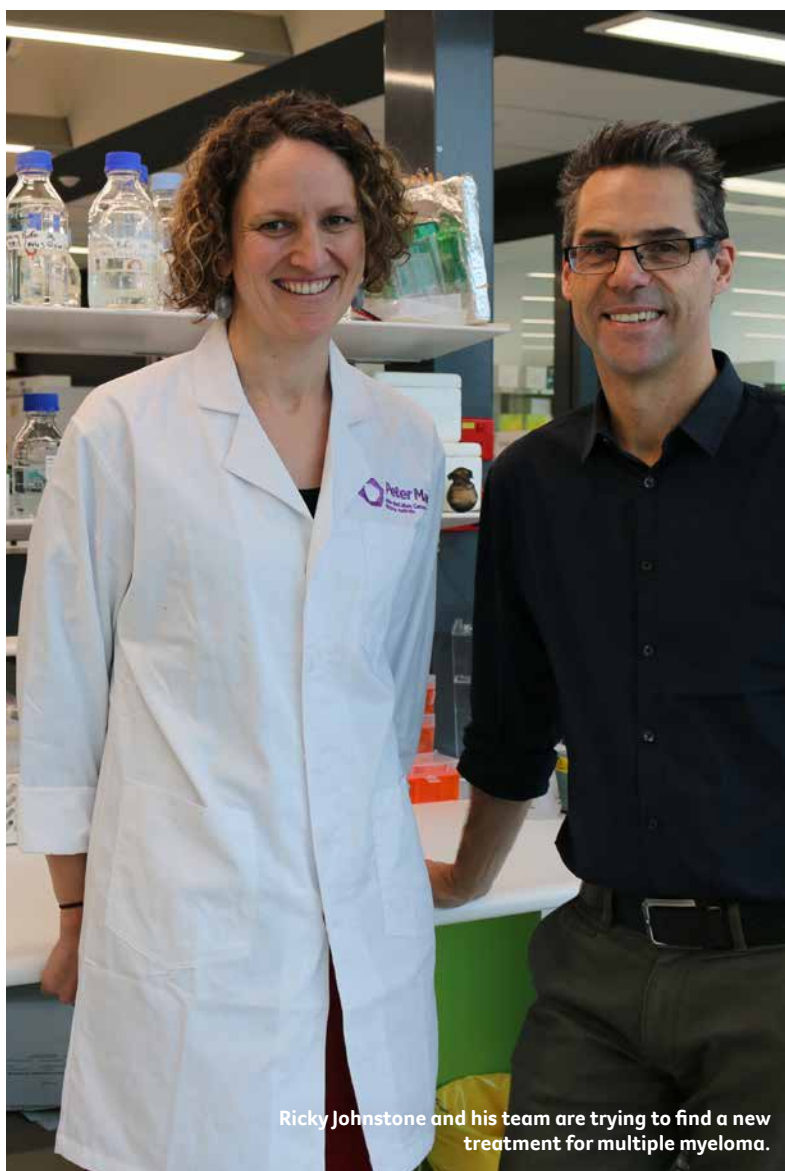
Each year, we support more than 45 biomedical research teams with grants to conduct ground-breaking cancer research.

This includes our **Venture Grants Scheme**, an innovative research program that funds four high-risk, high-reward research projects. The scheme is 100 per cent donor-funded, and aims to achieve significant breakthroughs to fast-track new treatments.

Professor Ricky Johnstone has been conducting research into a less common cancer through his project 'New treatment for multiple myeloma'. Over the course of three years, the project aimed to discover new proteins and pathways necessary for the growth and/or survival of multiple myeloma cells that can then be targeted to overcome resistance to current drugs.

Professor Johnstone and his team have been able to identify the genes that different multiple myeloma cells critically depend on to grow and have identified that some of these genes are resistant to drugs currently used to treat cancer.

Team member Dr Philip Thompson says, "Emphasis on blue sky research is really exciting for us. It enables us to not only create value in this project, but add value to other projects."

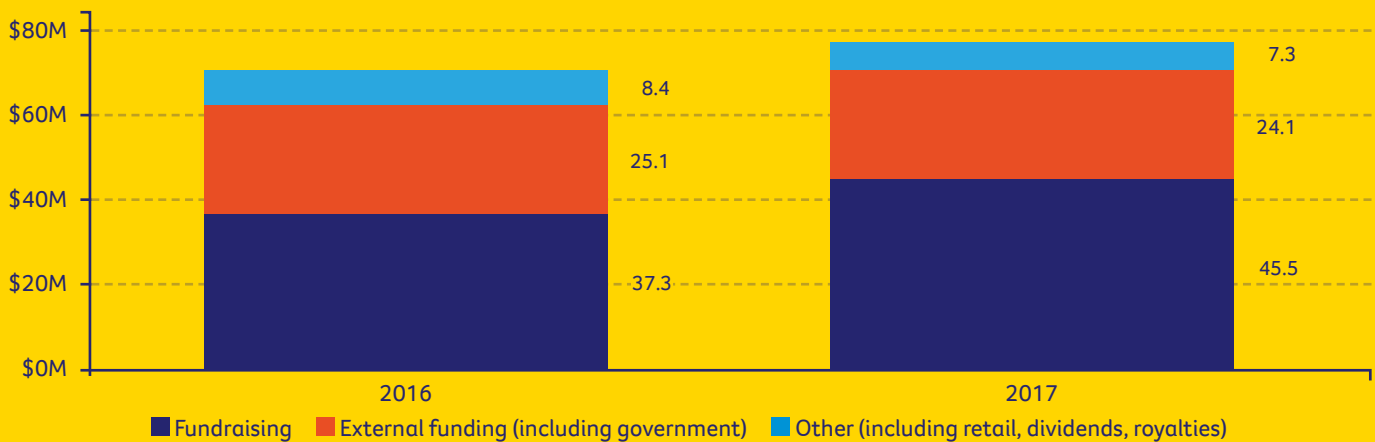


Ricky Johnstone and his team are trying to find a new treatment for multiple myeloma.

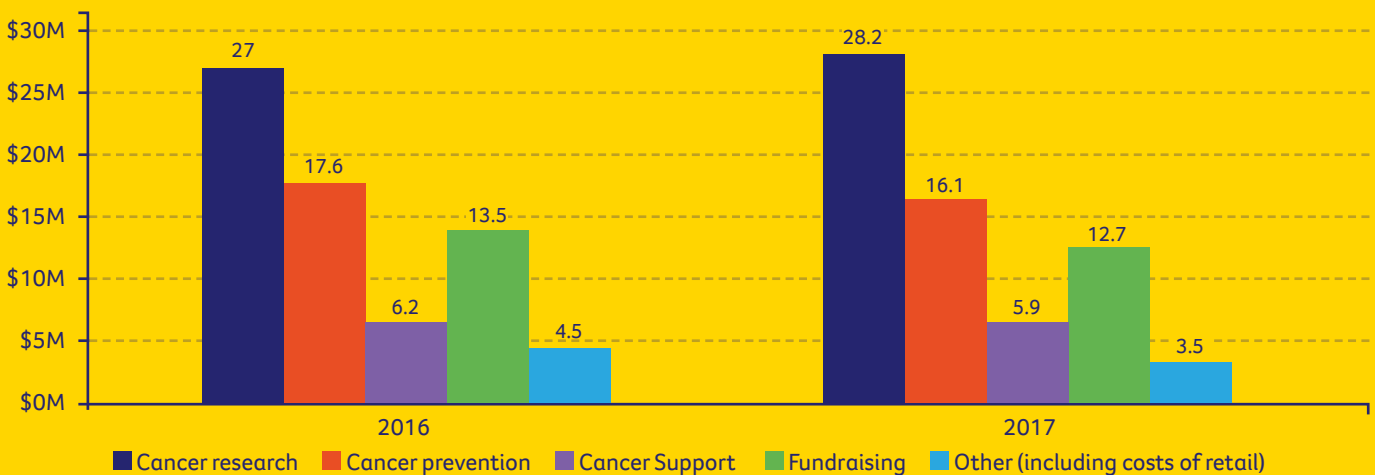
## FINANCIALS

A snapshot of our financial results for 2017. For our complete financial results visit [cancervic.org.au/annual-report](http://cancervic.org.au/annual-report)

### Revenue – where the money came from



### Expenditure – where the money was spent



### Key financial results close up: 2016-2017

\$M	2016	2017
Revenue from transactions	70.8	76.9
Expenses from transactions	(68.8)	(66.4)
Other economic flows	1.9	2.5
<b>Net result from continuing operations</b>	3.9	13.0
Total assets	93.5	106.3
Net assets	71.9	84.9
Accumulated surplus	23.3	36.0
Reserves	48.6	48.9
<b>Total equity</b>	71.9	84.9
<b>Cash flow (\$ movement)</b>	<b>(2.3)</b>	<b>(0.2)</b>

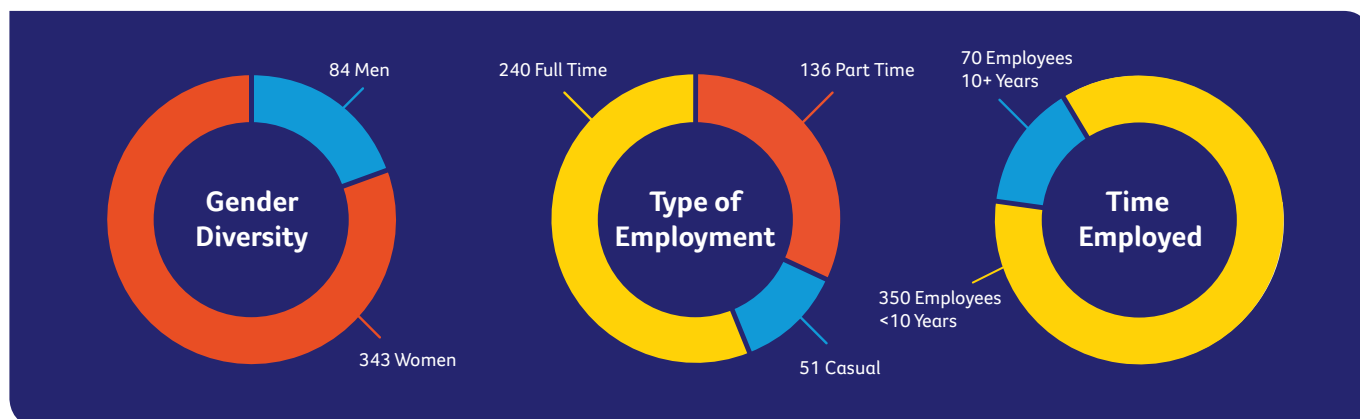
Cancer Council Victoria delivered a net result for the 12 months to 31 Dec 2017 of \$13m which includes a number of large bequests.

2017 Accumulated Surplus has increased by \$12.7m to \$36m. This will be used for future projects including low survival research, obesity and bowel screening programs to help achieve our strategic priorities.



## Our staff

Our staff are vital in enabling us to succeed in our mission to prevent cancer, empower patients and save lives. We believe strongly in our values of excellence, integrity and compassion.



## Our supporters

As a non-profit organisation we rely on the Victorian community. It's only with their support that we can make a difference.

### Ride to a Cure

After losing his mum Tania in 2015 from breast cancer, Declan Foott (*pictured*) wanted to do something to honour her and fight back against cancer.

Departing from Federation Square, Declan cycled 5,800km from Melbourne to Darwin to raise money for cancer research as an **I Will For Cancer** participant. Inspiring people across the country, he exceeded his fundraising target of \$10,000 and raised an astonishing \$76,000.



***"I am incredibly passionate about preventing cancer and want to reduce the toll it has on our community," Declan said.***

He has sponsored the 'Ride to a cure Research

Award in Honour of Tania Foott', which will help fund two research projects working to improve patient outcomes for people with breast cancer.

### Students band together at Relay For Life

Students, staff and parents at Montmorency Secondary College have raised more than \$78,000 since they first started participating in the Diamond Valley **Relay For Life** nine years ago.

Teacher Kim Faulkner who organises the school's participation said, "The school has so many students who have lost family members to cancer. It is a really moving event.

"The students come away feeling they've made a difference, they've been part of their community, part of something bigger than themselves. The success that they feel having raised money either for prevention of cancer or to help people living with cancer is quite powerful."

# Thank you to our supporters

We would like to thank every individual, organisation, fundraising team and volunteer group who raised funds or donated towards our work in cancer research, prevention and support. With your support we're able to be there every minute, every hour, every day.

## Research Awards

**A number of individuals and organisations donated or raised more than \$5,000 in 2017 and elected to support a particular area of investigation through a Research Award. We thank them for their generosity.**

2017 Team Katrina Research Award  
 3 Ways Research Award  
 A Cure Ahead Research Award in memory of Ali Belle and Joan Brock  
 A Cure Ahead Research Award in memory of Michael Griffin and Jim Brock  
 A Cure Ahead Research Award in memory of Pat Kelly  
 A Penny for your thoughts Research Awards  
 A Walk To Remember Research Award  
 Adrienne Hodge Research Award  
 Advances VTOL Technologies Research Award  
 Aileen Margaret Fowler Award  
 Alicia's Wings of Hope – In Honour of Alicia Lawson Research Award  
 Angelsea and Winchelsea Community Banks Research Award  
 Ankle Biters Research Award  
 Anonymous Research Award  
 Arnott, Cotter, Devlin, Miles and Co. Research Award  
 Auburn High School Research Award  
 Audrey Campbell Research Award  
 Beaconhills College – Beacon of Hope Research Award  
 Berwick Bush Babes Research Award  
 Betty May Smith Research Award  
 Birds of a Feather Research Award  
 Bright Sparks Research Award  
 Brightest Star Legends Research Award  
 Bristol Night Owls Research Awards  
 Brumby's Babes Research Award  
 Burners For Relay Research Award  
 Can Do It Research Award  
 Cancer Won't Break Our Stride Research Award  
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 Happy Hippies Research Award  
 Happy Wanderers Research Award  
 Heart and Sole Research Award  
 Heather Ellis Research Award  
 Helena Bitter Research Award  
 Highlands parkrun Research Award  
 Horsham Primary School Research Award  
 Imani Tunggal Research Award  
 In Honour of Jeane Floyd Research Award  
 In Honour of Rhett Thompson Research Award  
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 In Remembrance of Ann Gough Research Award  
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 John Agosta Memorial Research Award  
 Julie Cachia Research Award  
 Kerry Holland Cancer Busting Research Award  
 Kooyong Colts Research Award  
 Lenons 2017 Research Award  
 Life Activities Club Research Award  
 Lions Club of Moorabbin Inc  
 Lions Club of Werribee Research Award  
 Lolipop Lappers Research Award  
 Longest Day Research Award  
 Loyola College Team Research Award  
 Lynne & Wendy's Walkers Research Award  
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 Swim and Survival Academy Research Award  
 Switch and Style Active Research Award  
 Tabcorp Park Staff Research Award  
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 Team Marco's Family & Friends Research Award  
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 The Bob Neilson Research Award  
 The Camp for Cancer Research Award  
 The Casey Walk for a Cure Research Award  
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 The Chain Remembrance and Recovery Award  
 The Chris Dobinson Cancer Research Award  
 The Cobram Lowes BP Research Award  
 The Coluccio Family Research Award  
 The Daffodil Ball Research Award  
 The Deborah Lee Research Award  
 The Domain Village People Research Award  
 The Ernst and Carmel Ruddell Research Award  
 The Fiona MacDonald Research Award  
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 The Geelong College Research Award

The Jack Huggett Research Award  
 The Jeff Denny Memorial Research Award  
 The Jennie Sarraillie Research Award  
 The Jessica Adams Research Award  
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 The Knox School 2017 Research Award  
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 Watsonia Primary School Research Award  
 We Are Family Research Award  
 Wellington (Sale) Relay for Life Research Award  
 William Gary Verrall Research Award  
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**Giving hope for low survival cancers**

Despite occurring less frequently, less common cancers tend to have a higher mortality rate, with some five-year cancer survival rates as low as 7 per cent.

After suddenly losing their 54-year-old son Paul to pancreatic cancer in 2016, Jean and Derek called Cancer Council Victoria looking for a way to bring more attention to less common cancers. Paul had been healthy, they didn't have family history and there were very few treatment options available.

Low survival cancers like pancreatic cancer historically receive less investment and research focus compared to other cancers.

With the help of supporters like Jean and Derek, we have increased investment into low survival cancers.

We plan to advocate for increased funding through the **Low Survival Cancers Alliance** and funding biomedical research through our **Venture Grants Scheme** and **Grants-In-Aid Program**.

This year, Jean and Derek opened their tranquil gardens to visitors for one day to raise money in support of less common cancers. Derek, a lifelong watercolour and oil painter well-known in his community, showcased his lifetime's work of paintings and raised nearly \$9,000.

The fundraiser was attended by over 50 visitors, who had the opportunity to enjoy the gardens, buy a painting, donate and hear from Dr Fiona Bruinsma, our Research Coordinator of the Forgotten Cancers Project.



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