



The Bailee Ada Foundation

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The Dragonfly represents, in some cultures, "symbols of courage, strength, and happiness" and to us this is Bailee, our beautiful little Dragonfly.

Welcome to another addition of The Bailee Ada Foundation Newsletter. This newsletter is full of a lot of information regarding upcoming events including our major fundraiser, success of our recent fundraisers and our brand new Website. I am so excited to tell you what has been happening so please sit back and enjoy reading this edition of the newsletter.

Firstly, for those of you that do not know, Kevin & I are happy to announce that we are expecting another child in August/September. This was a hard few months at the start as we didn't tell people after a genetic test was performed confirming that this child did not have cdg. So after about 4 months (and very baggy t-shirts) the good news was spread.

Glenorden Football Club Ladies Day

In May 2008 Melissa was invited to speak at the Ladies day at the Glenorden Football Club. She got up in front of some women to talk about Bailee and the Foundation.

To be honest, I was a little nervous as this was my first speaking engagement ever. The women were all very nice and made me feel very relaxed. I spoke to them about Bailee and her short life, what she went through, her personality and how supported Kevin & I were. I told them what I knew about cdg and I also shared with them all about the foundation and the hopes and dreams that I have for it.

I would like to thank Graeme Davis for the opportunity to start spreading the word of 'The Bailee Ada Foundation' and I would like to thank the woman from the club for letting me share my story.

The Bailee Ada Foundation has some exciting news. Over the last few months we have been working towards creating a web site and it has finally happened. The web address is www.baf.org.au. We are all so very excited about this project. We are though still in the process of building the website but have a look as it is progressing everyday.

Fundraising

The last few months has been packed with great fundraising adventures. They have all been a great success and we thank everyone that has been involved. The foundation has since raised over \$3409 which is being presented to Dr David Amor at the Royal Children's Genetic's Department on Friday 27th June 2008

CUTS FOR BAILEE

The First Fundraising event for 2008 was "Cuts For Bailee". This event was held on the 15th February 2008 at the Back to Basic Early Learning Centre in Hoppers Crossing. Anna, one of Bailee's carers decided to cut her long hair, and with every dollar that was raised the shorter it got. With everyone's help we raised approx. \$1500.00

Melissa was the first one to cut part of Ana's hair. It was a very emotional day all around but a great time was had. As well with a gold coin donation everyone was given the opportunity to have there hair sprayed with the colours of Bailee - green and purple. As you can see there were a number of adults that joined in the fun.

We need to say a big thank you to Anna and we hope that you are happy with your new do and also to Mary for allowing us to use her Childcare centre. Thank you to you both.

*For some great pictures of the day check out our
Website
www.baf.org.au*

BEFORE



AFTER



Run for the Kids



Run for the Kids is a charity event held annually to help raise money for the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal. This year there was over 27,000 people participated in the event.

Since the last Newsletter 'Team Bailee' was once again present at the RUN FOR THE KIDS, which was held on Sunday 30th March 2008.

This year we sold a number of new T-shirts. These T-shirts were slightly different from last years, with a change to the font at the back but the beautiful picture of Bailee was still the same.

There were about 40 people that either took part in the walk or the run. After the run we all had a few drinks and a sausage or two in the gardens. Then a number of us went to the footy to watch Richmond and North Melbourne play.

It was a great day, had by all.

We will once again be there next year, so stay tuned for more information and hopefully we can get a few more people taking part.



Western Suburbs Triathlon Club Sausage Sizzle

On the 10th March the Triathlon Club that Kevin is a part off put together a sausage sizzle day to raise funds for the foundation. People could purchase either a sausage or hamburger for a gold coin donation. I must admit that not a lot of coins were handed over it was mainly notes. Also, after the sausage sizzle, we were presented with a kind donation of \$250.00 from the Triathlon Club. It was a great surprise and very much appreciated. We would like to thank them for their continued support.

The Bailee Ada Wristbands.

Another part of the fundraising for this year was The Bailee Ada Foundation wrist bands. These are very nice looking wrist bands that are purple in colour with green writing. These bands are still available at a price of \$4.00.



UP COMING EVENTS

August 8th 2008: Major Fundraiser for the year. Triva night/Auction

Mattel Toy Sale - 27th September 2008

Tickets \$10.00

Shopping Tour - Late November 2008

*Please stayed turned to the next Newsletter for more information about
The Bailee Ada Foundation.*

The Bailee Ada Foundation has its own committee.

The committee members are

Melissa Choate - Director

Helen Roache - Treasurer

Allison Roache - Secretary

Nicole Roache - Fundraiser Co-ordinator

Tarni May - Fundraiser Co-ordinator

If anyone has some great ideas please feel free to contact one of the committee members.

"We thank you all for your support, your thoughts, your prayers and your ideas".

Melissa, Kevin and Isabel.



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