

## Media Release

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### CHEER THE 5 FOR KIDS IN JUNE

For the 7<sup>th</sup> year the BGRA is excited that June is finally here for the “Cheer The 5 For Kids” month – raising funds for the Give Me 5 For Kids charity.

As has been the case in the past six years a special racing vest is worn by the number five runners in each race at Bendigo throughout the month of June that carries the GM54K logo and the BGRA will donate \$55 to the Charity for each number five runner that is victorious at Lord's Raceway for the month of June.

The reasons for cheering the five runner home this month at Bendigo do not stop there as Scott Manning from Manning's Greyhound Complex has confirmed that, as was the case in 2017, his business will match the donation of the BGRA meaning \$110 will go to GM54K for each number five to salute at Bendigo in June.

Cheer The 5 For Kids month commences on Friday night 1<sup>st</sup> June with a once again sold out Girl's Night Out event taking place during and after the race meeting. Proceeds from auctions, raffles and a percentage of ticket sales for Girl's Night Out also goes to the charity with the night usually kick starting the campaign with around \$4,000.

Give Me 5 For Kids is Southern Cross Austereo's national fundraiser which supports local children's hospital wards across regional Australia. Each June SCA's local radio and television networks get behind the cause and with SCA being the BGRA's media partner the Club is pleased to get more involved each year for such a great cause. In 2017 the Club's events raised almost \$8,000 for GM54K and it is hoping to break the \$10,000 barrier in 2018.

On top of Girl's Night Out and Cheer The 5 For Kids month, the BGRA is planning a bumper “Superheroes” kids day on Sunday July 1, which feature heats of the Triple M Bendigo Cup, as the final fundraiser for GM54K for 2018 with details of that event to be announced in the next week.

"Cheer The 5 For Kids" race meetings are scheduled for June 1, 6, 8, 9, 14, 15, 20, 22, 27 and 29.

