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Girls Night Out

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GIRLS NIGHT OUT PRESENTS 'A LAZY SUNDAY AFTERNOON'

Hundreds of women from across the region will come together in a show of solidarity for local cancer patients next month as part of the Girls Night Out 'Lazy Sunday Afternoon' extravaganza.

The event is the fifth of its kind to be staged by the Girls Night Out (GNO) committee and will be held on Sunday August 9 at The Pavilion from 3pm to 6pm.

The GNO initiative began in 2008 and is the much-loved creation of five Echuca-Moama women who have experienced first-hand the impact of cancer upon loved ones.

All proceeds raised at events go to the Oncology Department Supportive Care Program at Echuca Regional Health to provide extra care and financial support for local men and women directly affected by cancer.

Committee member Leonie Canham said GNO events had developed a cult following of local women aged 18 to 85 who felt passionate about the cause.

She said the committee was extremely grateful the concept had been so overwhelmingly embraced by the community.

"GNO is first and foremost a celebration of women – of the joy they bring to one another, of the amazing work they do in their relationships, in their families, in their communities and in their own lives," Ms Canham said.

"But the concept is also about showing solidarity and support to cancer patients in the community and to show appreciation of the amazing team at Echuca Regional Health oncology, without whom so many lives would be so much more difficult."

Ms Canham said the August 9 event was designed to be a relaxing, rejuvenating and uplifting Sunday 'arvo session' with the girls.

"Everybody loves a lazy Sunday afternoon," she said.

"And what better way to spend it than lounging by an open fire with your girlfriends and a glass of sparkling or a full-bodied red?"

Tickets to 'A Lazy Sunday Afternoon' are \$35 and include sumptuous winter fare, wine, champagne, lager and live entertainment by Jefferson Smith.

Bookings can be made online @ www.stickytickets.com.au/1998 (\$2.50 booking fee applies) or by phoning 5482 2039. Get in quick because tickets sell out fast.

Anyone in need of financial assistance through the Supportive Care Program is encouraged to contact the GNO committee on 5482 2039 or the Echuca Regional Health Oncology Department on 5485 5229.