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\$10,000 raised for country cancer patients

A recent 'Country Golf Day' at Moonta Golf Club, held by ETSA Utilities' Kadina Depot, helped raise \$10,000 for country cancer patients.

Locals and visitors alike enjoyed the carnival atmosphere of the golf day, which was initiated by local staff under the auspices of the ETSA Utilities Employee Foundation. Matthew Barker, Scott Aldridge, Paul Drew and Matt O'Donoghue were in the winning team.

The ETSA Utilities Employee Foundation is a registered charity created to bring together the talents, time and financial resources of ETSA Utilities employees and their families to make a difference within the South Australian community.

The golf day raised funds for one of the major causes supported by the Employee Foundation – the refurbishment of guest rooms at Flinders Lodge, an accommodation facility located in Adelaide, owned and operated by Cancer Council SA. Sponsorship on the day raised \$3,500 and the Employee Foundation contributed an extra \$6,500 so that one room at Flinders Lodge can be refurbished.

Flinders Lodge provides much needed accommodation and support services for rural South Australian and Northern Territory cancer patients who come to Adelaide for treatment.

The accommodation runs at a high occupancy rate, with only a few rooms spare at any given time. While the support services are superb, the former motel is not in a good condition, and the refurbishment of Flinders Lodge guest rooms will provide patients with a relaxing and comfortable environment that will contribute to their wellbeing and recovery.

In 2003, 38% of male cancer deaths and 35% of female cancer deaths in Australia involved people from regional and remote areas. The personal experience so many people have with cancer may explain why the golf day was so well supported by the community.

Darren Warmington, a senior trade skilled worker at ETSA Utilities' Kadina Depot, worked tirelessly to coordinate the event.

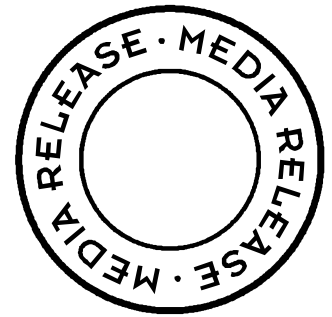
"Around 84 people teed off on the day, helped no doubt by the lovely weather," Darren said.

"The event was very popular, with Adelaide-based employees also making the trip to Moonta to participate. Most stayed overnight on Saturday, enjoying the delights of the Copper Triangle, and all have expressed the desire to come back again next year!

"The day was such a success due to the support of local businesses, such as the Golf Club that hosted the event, Country Living Homes, and a number of other businesses who provided raffle prizes, as well as the local community for their enthusiastic support on the day. It was a tremendous effort by all involved and I thank them for their support."

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The ETSA Utilities Employee Foundation presented Darren and the Kadina Depot with a plaque in recognition of their efforts.

On the weekend of 7-8 November 2009, the Foundation will also be holding a 'Relay For Life' at Belair National Park in the Adelaide Hills to raise more funds for the Flinders Lodge refurbishment.

Jim McCartney, Executive Director of the Foundation, said that ETSA Utilities' regional depots would be sending representative teams to the event.

"Relay participants have special permission to camp overnight in the Park and there will be many fun family entertainment activities throughout the weekend," Jim said.

"We're thrilled to have the support of another local business, Wahlstedt Quality Homes, who have generously donated the first prize in the raffle to be drawn at the relay – a day's cruise on a 55 foot motor yacht from Wallaroo Marina. We're expecting to sell raffle tickets by the bucket load and are grateful to Wahlstedt Quality Homes for their support."

The Foundation also welcomes non-employee participation. People wanting more information should contact Jim McCartney on 08 8404 5359.

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