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The Lancefield Poker Run raises funds for the Cancer Council via the Lancefield Relay for Life. The *RIDE FOR ELIZA* run in 2009 aim is to raise \$5000 so we can allocate the funds toward raising awareness and providing early detection of childhood cancers. All donations received will go towards helping children like beautiful little Eliza, her story puts into perspective the reality of how cancer can affect any of us no matter who we are, or even how old.

Two year old Eliza was diagnosed with a Sacrococcygeal Teratoma on the 5th December 2007. She has had to endure six months of extensive and demanding chemotherapy and numerous hospital stays including major surgery to remove the remainder of the tumour and her coccyx. Whilst trying to regain her strength and reclaim her childhood, Eliza now faces years of tests to ensure the effectiveness of her treatment. It will take up to five years from now until this brave little girl is given the full all clear.

Eliza's parents Colin and Kristine have endured many months of heartache watching their beautiful baby girl fight for her life. They have bonded with other parents in the hospital ward and together they have found inner strength in sharing their fears, frustrations and emotions with one another, and draw comfort in knowing they are not suffering alone. Now they want to share theirs and Eliza's story with you. In Kristine's words "It is my personal wish for children to be diagnosed sooner as then little ones like Eliza could be saved the complications of metastatic (secondary) cancer, as it is hard enough dealing with a primary tumour."

Wouldn't it be nice to open the paper one day and discover that children like Eliza would be diagnosed sooner and a cure has been found? Eliza would love to give you all a wave as she hopefully will be riding proudly up the main street on her daddy's bike on the big day!

We all want to help make our world a better place to live in and if enjoying a day out on your motorbike with friends can place us all one step closer to better education and finding a cure for cancer why not participate in this life changing event. So fill up your tanks, pull on your leathers, dong on your helmet and to dig deep into your pockets and lets all.....

RIDE FOR ELIZA

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