

CCC HOPE4Kids – here’s what happened in 2021?

In the most recent annual fund raiser, (November 2021), Graeme had his hair coloured between Sunday 14th November and Sunday 28th November. On the first two weeks, we posted online, the 3 favourite colours of our little mates Beau (14th) and Michael (21st). Using our [HOPE4Kids Facebook Group page](#), we bid by donating to reach a pre-determined fund raising target for each colour, each week, and whatever target we reached, that was the colour of Graeme’s hair for the week. On ‘Beau’ week we reached the fund raising target of \$850 just after we started colouring G’s hair. On ‘Michael’ week, we reached the fund raising target of \$2200 just after midday.

On the final Sunday (28th Nov) firstly, we honoured our mate Chloe on the anniversary of her passing by making Graeme’s “mop” of hair the colours of the rainbow. We still had fund raising targets for some of the colours, and every time someone added \$50, they were allowed to colour his hair that colour or via phone or FB nominate someone to do that LIVE! Then, in that festival atmosphere about midday, our final little superhero Airlee Podmore, cut the first strands of hair on Graeme’s head prior to the COMPLETE SHAVE, when we successfully passed the \$3K funds raised target.



Graeme and Airlee

We added Airlee to our fund-raising efforts this year for all the same reasons we support the other three. They all have currently incurable afflictions that are accompanied by an uncertain future. Airlee is only 10 years old and a couple of years ago started losing her hair through a condition known as ‘Alopecia Areata’. There is no known cure for this autoimmune disease that causes hair loss to varying degrees, and which leaves these children vulnerable to all sorts of challenges. According to experts, Airlee has a challenging stream of AA. You can learn more [HERE](#)

We made a decision based upon the genuine interest generated by this fund raiser, to leave it open until our big annual Carols in the Street festival on the 12th December and Graeme made a promise to shave his beard off also, if we passed the \$4K mark. We ended up raising \$4076

and G's beard came off at midday on the 12th and the final announcement made and thanks given in a public announcement at the evening festival.

Thanks, beyond words to all who helped us achieve this miraculous total and for engaging the fun designed to support 4 precious children and their amazing families. We will leave the DONATE button here BUT if you want us to know what you have donated towards, please identify your deposit with 'H4K' or 'HOPE4Kids' if you can fit it in your description, and we will make sure your generosity is noted and added to 2022 fund raising efforts. THANK YOU!!!!