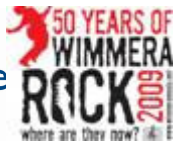


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ROCK REUNION SUPPORTS WIMMERA HEALTH CARE GROUP

The organising committee of this weekend's 50 Years of Wimmera Rock reunion will work in partnership with Wimmera Health Care Group to raise funds which will support a rehabilitation garden planned for the hospital.

The garden will assist people undergoing rehabilitation at Wimmera Health Care Group. It will comprise of a range of different types of everyday outdoor activities to assist people through the rehabilitation process. These will include gardening, negotiating obstacles such as curbs and different surfaces and a reflection area. The garden has been designed to accommodate both adults and children in order to improve their balance, endurance and strength.

Event organiser Lynton Brown said that whilst this is a free community event, he encouraged people to donate to the rehabilitation garden project throughout the course of the weekend. "Wimmera Health Care Group provides a vital service to this community. The rehabilitation garden will be fantastic for patients undergoing rehabilitation and Wimmera Health Care Group is currently seeking funds for this important project. Any assistance that we can provide will be of enormous benefit" he said.

Community Liaison Officer Sue Frankham said that Wimmera Health Care Group was very grateful for the offer of support from the 50 Years of Wimmera Rock organising committee. "The rehabilitation garden is long overdue and it is fantastic that they want to give something back to the community through this event" she said.

Mr Brown said that there would be collection points set up at Sawyer Park, the Horsham Town Hall and the Horsham Sports and Community Club. "Lets throw our support behind Wimmera Health Care Group and see how much money we can raise in the name of 50 Years of Wimmera Rock" he said.

Fifty years of Wimmera Rock is a reunion of at least 40 rock bands from across the Wimmera over the last 50 Years for a weekend event, the same weekend as Kanamaroo 2009 – Nov 27 – 29.

It will be a free, non profit event and promoted as a family weekend of living history of rock music in the Wimmera. Profits will go to the Wimmera Health Care Group.

The idea is to get as many bands back together for one last time. Many of these people are in the late 40 to 60 age bracket and not getting any younger. These bands have done so much for the Wimmera, attracting people to the area and basically worked for nothing. This event is

an opportunity to thank them and to also remember those who've gone and show that they still ROCK!

The Wimmera community will have the opportunity to attend free concerts at the Horsham Soundshell, the pubs and clubs and other venues over the three days of the event.

Over 200 musicians have committed to regroup and perform and keen expressions of interest have come from interstate and overseas.

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