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Illawarra Coal offers mine for Camp Quality Fund raiser

Illawarra Coal will halt coal truck operations at its West Cliff mine this Sunday to help raise money for children with cancer.

The Company has, for the fourth consecutive year, offered the mine's access road and car park, along with some of its employees as support staff, to organisers of the i98FM Marty and Erica's Camp Quality Convoy for Kids. The event is set to kick off at West Cliff Mine at 9am and will finish some time later at a family fun day at Croome Road Sporting Complex, Albion Park.

Due to the high level of traffic expected to be generated by the event, West Cliff's own truck movements will be halted for about five hours from 5 am to avoid heavy traffic travelling in opposite directions on the mine access road.

Illawarra Coal's General Manager Sustainable Development and External Affairs, John Brannon said the Company was proud to be involved with such an event and as always, conscious of the safety of all involved.

"Last year's event was an outstanding success, raising more than \$180,000 for Camp Quality, and attracting more than 700 vehicles as participants," he said.

"We're very much looking forward to welcoming even more trucks, cars and motorcycles to West Cliff again this year, with over 800 vehicles registered so far and we wish everyone a safe and successful convoy."

Mr Brannon said as a local company employing around 2000 local people directly and indirectly and a leading contributor to the Illawarra-Wollondilly economy, Illawarra Coal was committed to supporting the communities in which it worked in various ways, both financially and in-kind.

"West Cliff Mine is one of very few places along the route which is big enough to cater for the large number of vehicles so we believe it is important that we get behind such a fabulous initiative.

"Our people have worked with event organisers on safety and traffic plans and will be on hand on the day to ensure that they are rolled-out smoothly. This is our fourth year of involvement and each year it just gets bigger and better."

For further information about the convoy go to <http://www.i98fm.com.au/co-convoy.htm>

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