

# The GIANTS are out and about...



The GIANTS attended the Ropes Crossing rotary markets on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October.

Over 500 members of the Greater Western Sydney community enjoyed the rotatory markets, which boasted a vast array of activities.

GIANTS players Liam Sumner and Will Hoskin-Elliott joined mascot G-Man for a signing session and skills clinic.

Families were also treated to jumping castles, fairy floss and face painting at the event.



The Country Hope Trust provides family centred support programs to country children diagnosed with cancer and other life threatening illnesses.

Each year Country Hope run a camp. This camp is a fun filled week of respite and enjoyment that provides diagnosed children with an opportunity to take time out from the reality of their treatment, hospitalisation and everyday stresses associated with their medical condition . This year it was held at Tidbinbilla at Birrigai, near Canberra from 30<sup>th</sup> September – 5<sup>th</sup> October.

The GIANTS donated 100 caps and T-shirts for children attending.



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The GIANTS are proud to announce that one of Queensland's newest AFL teams has aligned themselves with the AFL's newest team, calling themselves the Greater Western Suburbs GIANTS and donning the clubs striking orange and grey colour scheme.

Vice President Dean Hooley and Assistant Coach Fred Meddings (pictured) helped form the Greater Western Suburbs GIANTS.

Hooley and Meddings recently came down to Sydney to meet GWS GIANTS Head Coach Kevin Sheedy who said *'We really like the concept and we're right behind it. It gives us great exposure in the Western Brisbane area and we're happy to assist the Greater Western Suburbs GIANTS wherever possible'.*

GREAT NEWS: We've already signed up over 4,000 members for the 2013 season!

Thanks for your support, you can find more details on how to Stand Tall in 2013 on our website:

<http://membership.gwsgiants.com.au/2013-packages>

One lucky member of the GIANTS will get the opportunity to sit with the team in an official team photo shoot and also receive a signed, framed print from the 2013 team.

To go into the draw, all you have to do is become a GIANTS member before 5pm, November 30.



AFL has moved to Sunday's in 2013 – register your interest to win an iPad!

AFL is a fun & safe way to learn new skills, keep active and make new friends and Greater Western Sydney has 20 Junior AFL Clubs who now play on Sunday's!

Greater Western Sydney Junior AFL Clubs are welcoming boys and girls aged 5-16 years to register early for 2013.

Visit [www.aflnswact.com.au/sundayfooty](http://www.aflnswact.com.au/sundayfooty) and register your interest by Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> December 2012 to go in the draw to win an iPad!

For more information contact 02 8867 7400.



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The Greater Western Sydney GIANTS have welcomed the announcement by the Federal Government of a partnership to support young people from migrant and refugee backgrounds in Greater Western Sydney.



The Federal Minister for Multicultural Affairs and Sport, Senator Kate Lundy, announced at ŠKODA Stadium that the Federal Government through the Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC) has committed \$1.2 million over three years to fund a national approach to youth settlement through the Multicultural Youth Affairs Network Australia (MYAN)

As part of this commitment, \$270,000 has been earmarked to fund the establishment of a new independent service in New South Wales through a partnership between the GIANTS, the Centre for Multicultural Youth and Multicultural Youth Affairs Network NSW and its local host organisation, Settlement Services International (SSI).



Kirsty Strong, one of our Cheer squad members with G-man at Relay for Life



On the 27<sup>th</sup> October 2012 the GIANTS attended Relay for Life at Blacktown International Sports Park.

Relay For Life is a fun, outdoor overnight fundraising event that brings communities together to celebrate and remember the lives of those who have battled cancer. Teams take turns to walk or run around a track whilst enjoying entertainment, activities and moving ceremonies.

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#### GET IN TOUCH

If you have a GIANTS community photo or story that you'd like to be added to the newsletter please contact

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For more information on the GWS GIANTS please visit

[www.gwsgiants.com.au](http://www.gwsgiants.com.au)

Look out for Edition 8 of the newsletter coming out in a fortnight.

The Greater Western Sydney GIANTS have attended this year's Australian International Motorshow on 19<sup>th</sup> October.

Phil Davis, Callan Ward and Tom Scully joined the GIANTS mascot G-Man at the Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre and met fans alongside Co-Major partner SKODA Auto.

Following in the footsteps of the senior players, the Slater & Gordon GIANTS Academy Development Squads began pre-season training on Monday the 12th November.

Players from across our zone at ages u15-u18 will be hitting the track and putting in their biggest pre-season effort to date, in the hope of being selected in the Regional Development Squad for the GIANTS Development Series in late February, early March.

There will be over 700 kids completing pre-season training to improving their fitness and football skills which should set them up for a big season.

Slater & Gordon GIANTS Academy Manager Lachlan Buszard said: "We are looking forward to actively promoting healthy lifestyles and AFL football throughout our zone as we look to develop the knowledge bank and understanding of the both the players and the coaches in our zone"

He thanked Slater & Gordon for their continued investment in community development which has made the preseason possible.



Slater & Gordon have renewed their partnership with the GIANTS as the Slater & Gordon GIANTS Academy

"The Slater & Gordon partnership enables the club to work closely with the community to develop and educate players both on and off the field throughout western Sydney, Canberra and southern NSW."

Lachlan Buszard  
Academy Manager



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With just NINE days to go - Devon Smith is leading the Movember Australia charge for the GIANTS and he needs your support!

"I'm pretty proud that I can actually grow a mo - especially when so many of the other boys are struggling.

"In all seriousness I'm committed to Movember and proud to represent the GIANTS. Raising awareness for men's health is a really good cause"

You can get behind Devon and support his 'tash here:

<http://au.movember.com/mospace/5357289>

### Northcott's Summer Appeal 2012

Northcott's Recreation service is an essential service which provides a lifeline to many children and young people with disabilities.

You can help children with disabilities to be the Paralympians of the future by donating to Northcott Disability Services.

Just \$10 will enable us to buy the presentation ribbons for our sporting carnivals, the only chance for children with disabilities to participate in sport in an inclusive environment

Link to the donation page:

<http://fundraising.northcott.com.au/01-appeal/index.html>

