

3rd Annual Yellowknife Brain Tumour Walk

RCMP officer draws strength from others to combat fear of a brain tumour recurrence

YELLOWKNIFE, NT, May 17, 2018 – Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada is excited to host a Brain Tumour Walk event in Yellowknife on Sunday, May 27, 2018 in support of anyone affected by a brain tumour. This annual fundraiser brings hope to the estimated 55,000 Canadians living with a brain tumour and the dozens more who are diagnosed each day.

"Patients and families are the heart of Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada and we want them to know they are not alone. Together we walk to raise awareness about this often devastating disease and to let our community know we are to help," says Susan Marshall, CEO.

With more than 120 types of tumours, they are complex and can be difficult to treat. Symptoms can range from hearing loss to hormonal problems. Brain tumours can also affect vision, memory, balance and mobility.

Jim Strowbridge knows this all too well. The 46-year-old RCMP officer was diagnosed with a brain tumour three years ago, and everyday he lives with the fear of it coming back. But Strowbridge finds hope in his family and the strength he draws from other survivors he meets at the annual Brain Tumour Walk.

"It provides an opportunity for survivors to be surrounded in a supportive environment. It raises awareness of the issues which impact the brain tumour community and allows for the sharing of experiences," he says. "I found tremendous support from those in attendance."

His participation and that of thousands of others at Walks across Canada, support Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada's specialized resources, support programs and fund ground-breaking research to help find a cure for brain tumours.

What: Yellowknife Brain Tumour Walk

When: Sunday, May 27, 2018 (12:45 am Survivor Photo, 12:50 am Ceremony, 1:00 pm Walk Start)

Where: Somba K'e Civic Plaza

About the Brain Tumour Walks

By fundraising as part of a Brain Tumour Walk, patients, survivors, family and friends join the nationwide movement to end brain tumours. For more than two decades, Brain Tumour Walks have been the community event to bring together thousands of Canadians in tribute to and in memory of people affected by a brain tumour. **For more information about the 20+ Brain Tumour Walks taking place across Canada in 2018, visit www.BrainTumourWalk.ca.**

About Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada: Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada is the only national charity offering information and support to patients affected by any kind of brain tumour – be it cancerous, non-malignant or metastases. The organization funds ground-breaking research across North America and, since 1982, has dedicated over \$6.2 million to finding a cure and improving treatment for brain tumour survivors. Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada is funded solely through generous



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