

# CANCER FAMILIES FUNDRAISER TO GET YOUR TEETH INTO



Belles Burgers and Belles Pizzeria owner Matt Hidding and Homely Retreats founder Jay Chipman have teamed up.

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LOCAL cancer survivor Jay Chipman has touched hearts with her small charity, and Belles Burger and Pizzeria owner Matt Hidding's personal connection with her cause has led to a delicious fundraiser.

Homely Retreats has gone from strength to strength since Ms Chipman founded the charity in 2018 to provide weekend retreats for Tasmanian cancer-affected families.

A regular at Mr Hidding's Bellerive burger joint, even hiring him to cater at her wedding, Ms Chipman said she and Mr Hidding raised about \$650 during their "2019 burger month".

They hope to raise \$1000 this month, with \$2 from every burger or margarita pizza sold donated to Homely Retreats. Mr Hidding said Ms Chipman's charity highlighted an overlooked cause.

"My mum went through cancer a while ago and I was left to look after my little brother; the idea of Homely Retreats was great," he said.

Mr Hidding hoped locals would "get a good burger and support a good cause".

Ms Chipman said both local businesses had expanded since the first burger month.

After a family affected by cancer saw a Mercury article about Homely Retreats published in August last year, they bought a property at Taranna on the Tasman Peninsula for the charity to use for weekend getaways.

"We just have to pay cleaning costs, so it's very cheap compared to the Airbnb fees we were paying before. The customers coming into Matt's shop are literally our clients, they're our community," Ms Chipman said.

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