

Terri's *Mini-Field* on the track

After deciding to hold my very first '*Mini-Field of Women*' event I then approached family members and friends asking if they would like to help in any way.

Knowing I had been through breast cancer myself and also knowing by holding this event it would bring about breast cancer awareness they were more than willing to lend a hand.

Next on my 'to do list' was to find a venue. Even though *Mini-Fields* can be as small as a morning tea in the park with friends I was looking at the bigger picture.

BCNA give out an "event in a box" which contains all that is needed to have a successful day. They also give the option of selling their merchandise. This I decided to do knowing full well it could help to make someone's breast cancer journey that little bit easier.

Having motorsport as my passion for 17 years my next contact was with our home track. The management kindly agreed to let me hold my *Mini-Field* event in conjunction with one of their meetings so we confirmed a set date.

Prior to this day I organised myself by having a small table to display the merchandise and leaflets. Had the balloons blown up in the morning and also made a few extra A4 size posters displaying the Pink Lady Silhouettes to be placed around the track.

On the day I delegated tasks to my helpers. Some planted the 100 Pink Lady Silhouettes supplied in the box while others set up the table etc.

I also gave a 3-minute speech...this being optional...why 3 minutes I hear you ask? I figured any longer and I would have lost my audience attention.

Our *Mini-Fields* have been a huge success and I am both proud and pleased to have been given this opportunity by Breast Cancer Network Australia.

Terri, QLD



Vivienne's *Mini-Field* on the beach

I ran my first *Mini-Field* at Apollo Bay. It was a wonderful experience which was deeply appreciated by the local people. However it took some gentle persuasion!

I made the suggestion to Otway Health, particularly as their CEO had recently been diagnosed with breast cancer. A meeting was held where they offered their help. I coordinated all the details.

We had a very moving service on the foreshore, which included speeches from the locals and the Apollo Bay Community Choir accompanied by a piper. The piper then led us down a path of pink ladies to the beach where we planted pink ladies in a circle in the sand. Out at sea were surfers on boards holding pink ladies and pink balloons aloft. Magical, and even the Mayor had tears in his eyes!

I registered the event with BCNA and Otway Health handled all the necessary permits; it was vitally important that these were in place. We also "painted" the Apollo Bay foreshore pink with balloons, posters and Pink Lady silhouettes (all part of the free Event in a box from BCNA).

Next year we plan a pink march down the Great Ocean Road and a pink lunch or dinner at the local pub- onwards and upwards! We will need lots of planning time and lots of helping hands for this one.

Vivienne, VIC

