



Mackay Marina Shipyard will be the proud hosts of July's inaugural Paint Shed and Pirate Party in aid of Childhood Cancer Support (CCS).

The first event of its kind to be held at the Marina, the Party will be an annual event which is strongly supported by all at Mackay Marina Village.

All proceeds raised will go directly to a CCS facility providing accommodation, counselling, financial assistance, fun days, family camps, recreational therapy activities, love and support to children and their families affected by childhood cancer. This enables families from regional Queensland and northern New South Wales to relocate to Brisbane for extended periods of time whilst their children receive the necessary treatment for their illness.

CCS needs ongoing support to help keep this priceless service running. CCS receives no direct government funding and relies completely on generous donations and sponsorship from the Queensland community.

This Pirate Party will also provide funding for the renovation of units in Herston increasing the capacity of nine units to 16. This will ease the pressure on waiting lists and allow more of these amazing children to get the treatment they so desperately need.

Lisa Buchanan, Development Officer for Mackay CCS, said: "Mackay Marina Shipyard and the Marina Village in general have done a lot of work to organise the venue, helping with promoting, ticket sales and offering support in so many ways. We are also hoping for additional donations to ensure as much as possible that is raised goes to the intended, the children with cancer and their families, who Childhood Cancer supports in the most difficult time of their lives."

Todd Gavan, Mackay Marina Shipyard Manager, said: "It was an honour for Mackay Marina Shipyard to be asked to host this special event. Childhood cancer is such a worthy charity. All Shipyard employees are happy to help the charity in anyway possible. It's a credit to all involved."

Tickets to the Paint Shed and Pirates Party are \$65.00 and can be purchased from the Mackay Marina sales office. All details of the party are available on the Mackay Marina website, [www.mackaymarina.com](http://www.mackaymarina.com).

Anyone who would like to donate to CCS can contact Lisa Buchanan on 0419 029 031.

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