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BUSKING FOR A CAUSE – A GIRL, HER CAR AND HER GUITAR

An exceptional musical talent is busking her way to the village of Millthorpe on Saturday 11 March and Orange on Sunday 12 to raise money for charity.

In a courageous and determined effort Mel Yeates – niece of local identities Sam and Lesley Yeates - is using her life savings to busk her way around Australia to raise \$100k for Beyond Blue and Love Your Sister charities.

It's a story of how a musician turned personal tragedy and grief around and propelled herself into a cause.

After suffering from depression and anxiety, Mel wanted to take action and do something. "I heard about Love Your Sister, a charity started by the actor Samuel Johnson to help his sister Connie who had been diagnosed with terminal breast cancer," said Mel.

"Hearing that Sam was giving up so much for his sister got me thinking - what could I do to help? How could I raise some money?"

Being a guitarist, Mel decided to busk her way around Australia and So a Girl, Her Car, and Her Guitar were born.

Her initial goal to raise \$20k in 20 months was overtaken in six and now exceeds \$30k.

Mel is an inspiration to many followers and particularly to people with cancer and depression.

"It has been an amazing journey with many people coming forward to tell me their stories," said Mel.

"Some hadn't shared their stories before and wanted to finally open up.

"My story is the motivator and the goal to travel all around Australia to play music and raise money for these two very worthy causes."

To help Mel reach her goal visit [gofundme.com/GCGMY](https://www.gofundme.com/GCGMY).



REMINDER: REDMOND OVAL OPENING

A reminder to the local community, the Redmond Oval is officially opening on Tuesday 14 March at 10am by The Hon. Paul Toole and Blayney Council Mayor, Scott Ferguson.

After two years, the wait is over. Millthorpe residents and community have anxiously watched the revamping of Redmond Oval through the turmoil of wet weather in 2016.

Redmond Oval is now open to the public as a full community and sporting facility.

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