

## Raising money to teach children how to swim

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Tanya Carmont has been training children in Vietnam to swim.

VOLUNTEER swimming teacher Tanya Carmont is raising money to teach Vietnamese children how to swim.

The Water Skills for Life program was created to help alleviate one of the main causes of premature deaths in children in Vietnam.

Ms Carmont has recently returned from a seven-week trip to Vietnam, where she trained swimming teachers as well as directly teaching children to swim.

She has a passion for her volunteer work because providing this relatively simple skill will save countless lives in years to come.

To raise money for the project, a fundraising event has been planned for Friday, February 24.

Ms Carmont, who is president of Water Skills for Life, said the event would fund swimming teachers in Vietnam and locally.

"A recent report from Royal Lifesaving Australia showed that one in every five primary school kids in Australia is unable to swim the length of a 50m pool," she said. "The situation is far worse in Vietnam, as can be seen in the disproportionate numbers of immigrants getting into trouble in the water here."

Funds from the Pamper Me night will help pay for ongoing learn-to-swim programs at peninsula rock pools as well as the affiliated charity Swim Vietnam.

Ms Carmont said that many local businesses were supporting the concept and had donated to the event.

### **SUPPORT THE PAMPER ME NIGHT**

-The Pamper Me night will be at Manly United Football Club, 101 South Creek Rd, Cromer (opposite the Roche factory) on Friday, February 24, from 7pm.

-There will be stalls with pampering products and services on offer and free sample bags to the first 50

through the door.

-Tickets are \$15 and include a glass of bubbly and nibbles.

Details: pampermenight@gmail.com or call 9982 8725.

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