Bess Price
Minister for Parks and Wildlife

**Territory Wildlife Park hosts the World’s Greatest Shave**

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Today the Territory Wildlife Park is hosting the World’s Greatest Shave from 2pm – 4pm to help raise money for the Leukaemia Foundation.

Minister for Parks and Wildlife Bess Nungarrayi Price, who lost her ten year old son to Leukaemia over 30 years ago, is participating in this year’s event.

“Losing a son to Leukaemia has given me a special insight into the impact of this terrible disease. The Leukaemia Foundation is incredibly important to promote awareness in our community and support for ongoing research into blood cancer.

“I encourage everyone to support or take part in the World’s Greatest Shave.”

Today, 34 Australians will be given the devastating news that they have leukaemia, lymphoma or myeloma, and they’ll turn to the Leukaemia Foundation for help.

Although survival rates are improving, blood cancers are the third biggest cause of cancer death in Australia.

All funds raised will go towards blood cancer research which is needed urgently to find better treatments and cures, as well as supporting families with practical and emotional support during their long and gruelling treatment, free of charge.

Territory Wildlife Parks,’ Sarah Hirst, will be shaving her hair to raise funds for research.

Sarah started working at the Territory Wildlife Park in 1998 and has not changed her hair in more than 20 years. Now, she has decided to ‘BE BRAVE AND SHAVE’ to help raise money for the Leukaemia Foundation.

Each March, more than 150,000 people will get sponsored to shave or colour their hair to support Australians with cancer and fund research.

The public are encouraged to continue fundraising for the cause after the shave takes place right up until June 30.

[http://worldsgreatestshave.com/?gclid=COrg4KaqtcsCFZOSvQodBusC7Q](http://worldsgreatestshave.com/?gclid=COrg4KaqtcsCFZOSvQodBusC7Q)

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