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Life saver walks & talks for St John

On Sunday March 14, 2010, an explosion of enthusiasm will take over Parramatta Park for the first ever St John (NSW) Walk&Talk, an event dedicated to celebrating the work St John does in the community.

From first aid to early literacy and immunisation, our people give up their time willingly and regularly to provide a service they believe in.

The inaugural Walk&Talk is an opportunity to share the belief in St John and the difference we make in the lives of others.

Dominic Alati from Peakhurst used his St John first aid training to help a teenage girl hit by a car on the road, as he was taking his daughters to their swimming lessons.

“I did the Senior First Aid class as part of my work and didn’t realise I would need it so soon afterwards.”

“Knowing what to do made all the difference in that situation, I can’t stress how important it is to know first aid” he added.

Dominic and his family are participating in the St John Walk&Talk to show their support.

“The St John volunteers work tirelessly every weekend providing first aid at events across the State. This is my way of showing appreciation for what they do for their communities and for the life saving training St John provided me when I needed it” Dominic said.

The event will see around 400 people walking a circuit of 3km (or 6km for those looking for a challenge) followed by an afternoon picnic with BBQ and entertainment. St John (NSW) aims to raise money towards a fully equipped Communication Bus estimated to cost around \$180,000, which will be used by our First Aid Services volunteers during major events like the City2Surf or New Years Eve, as well as community emergencies such as bushfires and floods.

Thank your local volunteers by visiting www.stjohnwalkandtalk.com.au to support St John (NSW) and contribute towards the Communication Bus.

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