

Yate Relay for Life programme released

The Yate Relay committee have released the programme for this year's Yate Relay for Life. Yate Relay, a 24 hour Relay being held in aid of Cancer Research UK, is in its 9th year and is being held on the 5th and 6th July. This year's event will see stallholders coming to Relay from 12-5 on the Saturday for people to view and enjoy. Alongside the 24 hour music, live bands such as regulars Cherry Red will be performing throughout the Saturday. Relay will also come alive with the sound of an African drumming band Saturday evening. As well as all of this there will be the regular themed laps, varying from the very popular pants and bra lap along with the teddies and PJ's laps! Each team still has their own themed laps so expect fancy, stupid and wacky costumes! Helene Craddock, organising chair, said 'we are proud to announce this year's programme and we believe it is the best ever!' She added that she was 'very pleased with the variety of entertainment that Relay is offering and is very excited for all the new entertainment that Relay is offering.' One of the new things that Relay is doing is the 'Great Relay Bake off'. Bakers are asked to bake their best sponge cake and bring it to relay for 3PM Saturday along with £5 entry. The winner will then get a prize with all money raised given to Relay.

Cancer survivors will once again be opening Yate Relay at 12noon. A highlight of the event is the Candle of Hope Ceremony, held at dusk. Specially made 'Candle of Hope' bags decorated with touching messages – in memory or in celebration of loved ones - are filled with sand and illuminated around the track. Turn up to relay in the day to donate a candle bag to a loved one!

Relay this year so far has 25 teams all relaying for 24 hours to raise money for Cancer research UK. Team chair, Alisa was keen to add that 'there is still time to register a team and register as a survivor for the event.' To register you can go to yaterelayforlife.org.uk. As a 9th Birthday treat Yate Relay's website is undergoing a big facelift and the committee will be launching the new feature packed website on the 27th June. The new website however is still live so you can still access it if you are interested in having a stall at Relay, or taking part in Yate Relay. A full programme with times will be made available on the new website on the day of its launch

Yate Relay for Life Photocall notice

WHEN: Saturday the 5th July 12PM onwards, (candle of hope in the evening)

WHERE: Yate Outdoor Sports Complex, Broad Lane, Yate, South Gloucestershire
BS37 7LB

PICTURE: Cancer survivors - all wearing special 'Survivor' T-shirts – will start Yate Relay for Life by taking part in an emotional 'Lap of Honour.' Other events taking

place thought the day such as an emotional candle of hope ceremony where people who have died because of cancer are remembered

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About Relay For Life

Relay For Life in Yate takes place at Yate Outdoor Sports Complex on 5th and 6th July

You can donate to Relay by texting YRFL56 and then an amount to 70700

Cancer Research UK's Relay For Life is a unique celebration of life and hope which unites communities to help beat cancer and culminates in a fantastic family and team experience.

Teams of between eight to 15 people - of all ages, levels of fitness and from all walks of life - are needed to take part in the overnight festival, which follows months of fundraising.

For more information on how to enter Relay For Life, visit yaterelayforlife.org.uk

About Cancer Research UK

Cancer Research UK is the world's leading cancer charity dedicated to saving lives through research.

The charity's pioneering work into the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of cancer has helped save millions of lives.

Cancer Research UK receives no government funding for its life-saving research. Every step it makes towards beating cancer relies on every pound donated.

Cancer Research UK has been at the heart of the progress that has already seen survival rates in the UK double in the last forty years.

Cancer Research UK supports research into all aspects of cancer through the work of over 4,000 scientists, doctors and nurses.

Together with its partners and supporters, Cancer Research UK's vision is to bring forward the day when all cancers are cured.