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## MEDIA ALERT

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THE generosity of the human spirit is again hard at work preparing for the 2008 Dunsborough Easter Fair.

Supporters of the Heart & Lung Transplant Foundation WA Inc have been knitting day and night to complete a range of knitwear for the popular annual event.

Coordinated by Dunsborough residents Gordon and Rona Black the fundraiser has raised thousands of dollars to support the Heart & Lung Transplant Foundation WA.

The 2007 Dunsborough Easter Fair raised more than \$2,400 for the foundation.

Gordon was the first single right lung transplant recipient in Western Australia back in 2004 after contracting Legionnaire's disease, getting dust in his lungs from working as a farmer in the Wheatbelt and smoking.

*He celebrated the third anniversary of his transplant in November 2007.*

"The Fair is our way of giving back after the gift I received," Gordon said. "Plus we enjoy doing it, meet some great people and are able to spread the word about the importance of organ donation.

A handful of dedicated local volunteers contribute to the knitting wares for sale. They generously, carefully and lovingly knit baby garments, scarves, beanies, fingerless gloves, coat hangers, footy scarves and aviator hats.

The Easter Fair stall will be outside Coles, in Dunsborough each day from Friday 21 March to Monday 24 March.

Any surplus wool donations would also be greatly appreciated.

For more information contact Rona and Gordon Black on 0409 859 506.

**FACT:** Only 19 organ and 40 tissue donations were received in WA between 1 January and 31 December 2007, yet there are 1875 people waiting for an organ and/or tissue donation in Australia at any one time.

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