



Racing Rope of Hope

On Saturday 19th September Regional Racers took to the Phakisa International Circuit in Welkom, not only to battle it out for Championship Points, but to give generously to The Sunflower Fund in aid of those with leukemia and other life threatening disorders.



The initial challenge was to racers, their families, biking publications, and companies associated with racing to contribute enough Sunflower Bandanas to stretch from the start line to back of the grid - roughly 100m.

Such was the generosity of all involved that orders were placed with The Sunflower Fund for 450 Bandanas, Pick 'n Pay Odendaalsrus brought 100 Bandanas to sell and had to return to their store to bring another in another 100! More were brought to the track and by the end of the day a total of 800 Bandanas could be seen brightly adorning the pit lane and the heads, necks and other interesting areas of riders and spectators!

After an action packed day of racing, volunteers and the Free State Marshals assisted in laying out on the track the Bandanas to see just how far the Racing Rope of Hope would stretch - the goal of 100m was obliterated - a bit like what Shez does to National records! The Racing Rope of Hope of 800 Bandanas stretched 1km! A very grand total of R16 000 raised through the efforts of Regional Racing for The Sunflower Fund!



Sincerest thanks to everyone who took part and purchased Bandanas - available from Pick 'n Pay - for R20, your contribution made such a difference!

Regional Racers will be at The Bandana Day Celebration at Cedar Square on the 10th October 2009 with some of the finest race bikes on display accompanied by Ropes of Hope.

