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Suncorp Bank staff ride 260 Ks 4 Country Kids

Three Suncorp Bank team members have each cycled 260 kilometres to raise money for the Royal Children's Hospital Foundation.

Suncorp Bank's John Debenham, Executive General Manager Corporate and Property, Michael Carr, National Manager Property Finance and Roger Hawley, Lending Specialist joined about 80 other participants on the three-day journey from Dalby through the Western Downs to Chinchilla.

John, who has participated in Ks 4 Country Kids for the past eight years, was the second-highest overall fundraiser this year, raising \$7,562 for the Foundation's Wonder Factory, an interactive entertainment room at the Royal Children's Hospital.

John said completing the ride was a great way to contribute to a worthwhile cause while challenging himself personally and having fun along the way.

"Each year I look forward to riding Ks 4 Country Kids," John said.

"It's a long ride but we make it a very social event and the riders get to know each other well by the end. It's also incredibly rewarding knowing I'm helping country kids in need," he said.

"I'm proud that Suncorp Bank has thrown its corporate sponsorship behind the event for several years and I have been overwhelmed by the generous sponsorship donations I have received from so many Suncorp staff."

A special part of the event each year is the upcoming Ks 4 Country Kids Recovery Luncheon, which will be held this Friday, 9 September at the Sebel and Citigate Hotel, Brisbane.

Tickets are still available to attend the luncheon to help celebrate the riders' achievements and acknowledge the support of the K's 4 Country Kids committee, support crew and sponsors and can be purchased by contacting Helen Debenham on 0402 014 617 or hotelbwy@bigpond.net.au.

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