

## **Transcript for DM4980\_Hartley\_Lifecare\_Challenge.**

### **Voice Over**

With the jersey of his own, Minister for Human Services Alan Tudge has officially launched this year's Hartley Lifecare Cycle Challenge team.

### **Minister for Human Services Alan Tudge**

I think it was last year when we launched this. The team went on to be the most successful team overall. And so there is absolutely no excuse to not do exactly the same thing again this year.

### **Voice Over**

Twenty four riders and eight support staff will take the gruelling ride, a fifty four kilometre round trip from Canberra to Charlotte Pass.

### **Jonathan Hutson, Deputy Secretary, Shared Services**

The first 40 kilometres is really, really easy, I have to say. It's the 410 after that make it challenging. Particularly the 45 km Hill on the second day.

### **Voice Over**

The department has participated in the event since 2015. Raising well over \$200,000. All money raised goes to Hartley Lifecare, a not for profit organization that provides respite care and other services to people with disabilities in the ACT region.

### **Eric Thauvette, CEO, Hartley Lifecare**

The money stays in Canberra, to support people with disabilities in Canberra. What we're looking at doing this here amongst other things is to actually build a new respite care facility for people with high physical and complex needs with disabilities in the ACT.

### **Voice Over**

This will be the third challenge for Marc, a cause that's close to his heart.

### **Marc Mowbray-d'Arbela, National Manager, Governance**

A friend of my family from 30 years ago is at Hartley House and so we meet him and his brother where we do the launch and it means so much to be able to get some money behind this important charity to support him. And in the meantime a whole range of us get improve our fitness and have an incredibly good time.

### **Voice Over**

With over 70 thousand dollars raised so far, the team took advantage of the crowd auctioning an original artwork by our very own James Babin.

### **Auctioneer**

Once at seven dollars and fifty, sir, or eight?

### **Jonathan Hutson, Deputy Secretary, Shared Services**

Eight.

### **Auctioneer**

Eight, nine ma'am? Fifty thanks ma'am, thousand and fifty then. Twelve, thanks sir. Twelve hundred. For Twelve hundred dollars, congratulations Jonathan, done. (applause)