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### **Megan's personal fight to raise awareness of ovarian cancer**

- **Local resident with family history of ovarian cancer to hold fundraising activities at TerryWhite Chemmart Kapunda to raise funds for ovarian cancer**
- **February is Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month**
- **Every day 4 Australian women are diagnosed and three women will die from ovarian cancer**

FOR Kapunda resident Megan McWaters, raising funds for Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month in February is very "close to my heart".

The maternal side of her family has been personally affected by the disease. Her mother Annette Davidson has been battling ovarian cancer for the past four years, her 85-year-old grandmother Dawn Greig was diagnosed with ovarian cancer last year and her aunt Margaret Dunsford passed away from the disease in 2016. Megan has also had a preventative hysterectomy after being diagnosed with the ovarian cancer gene.

This month, Megan will be inviting the Kapunda community to help raise funds and awareness of ovarian cancer by enjoying some fun activities at TerryWhite Chemmart at 33-35 Main Street, Kapunda.

Members of the community can make coin donations using a fun zig zag-style coin track, with all proceeds going to Ovarian Cancer Australia. They can also play Match the Staff Member to their Baby Photo game while they wait for their prescriptions to be filled. Winners will receive a prize pack.

"There are no tests for ovarian cancer," Ms McWaters said. "By the time the disease has been detected it is often too late. The more we can raise awareness of ovarian cancer, the better."

She said it was important for women to trust their instincts when it came to their body.

"If you don't feel that something is right, get it checked with your GP – you know your body."

February is Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month, which recognises women, their family and their friends who have been affected by ovarian cancer.

Every day, four Australian women are diagnosed and three women will die from ovarian cancer. The most common reported symptoms are increased abdominal size or persistent abdominal bloating, abdominal or pelvic (lower tummy) pain, feeling full after eating a small amount or needing to urinate often or urgently.

For more information visit [ovariancancer.net.au](http://ovariancancer.net.au)

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