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WA's biggest volunteering event celebrates National Volunteer Week

The Chevron City to Surf for Activ is Western Australia's largest community sporting event. It is also the largest volunteering event in the state with the 2011 Chevron City to Surf for Activ set to see the involvement of over 1000 generous volunteers.

This event is one of WA's most popular with a strong focus on bringing the community together to raise money for WA charities as well as much needed funds for the partner charity, Activ.

National Volunteer Week, 9-15 May 2011, is the largest celebration of volunteers in Australia highlighting the role of volunteers in our community and providing the opportunity to say thank you to the more than 5 million Australians who volunteer.

Volunteer Coordinator for the Chevron City to Surf for Activ Brianna Slate said this was a perfect time for people to register as a volunteer for the event.

"The success of the Chevron City to Surf for Activ wouldn't be possible without the generous support of over 1000 volunteers. Every year it's great to see so many people getting involved in the community and dedicating their time to a worthy cause.

"Volunteering at the Chevron City to Surf for Activ is a great way to get out, get involved in the community and have fun by doing it alongside family and friends. It also provides students with the opportunity to fulfil their volunteering or community service requirements. We would love to have as many people as possible jump on board and volunteer at this year's event," Ms Slate said.

Australian volunteers contribute more than 700 million hours of community service and many charities would struggle to survive without this support.

"Volunteering has long been a crucial part of building WA communities and people showing their compassion to causes important to them," Minister for Volunteering, Hon Robyn McSweeney, said.

Event organisers are working closely with Volunteer Sponsor, the Department of Sport and Recreation to successfully recruit the required number of volunteers. Through this partnership, 2011 will celebrate the tenth anniversary of the International Year of Volunteers (IYV) and will see the launch of a brand new campaign – Where's Volley?

To register as a volunteer for the 2011 Chevron City to Surf for Activ, visit the Volunteer's Page on the Chevron City to Surf for Activ website www.perthcitytosurf.com and fill out the Online Volunteer Registration Form.

Alternatively, contact the Volunteer Coordinator on (08) 9436 0203 or Brianna@csports.com.au if you would like to get a group or team involved.

Website: www.perthcitytosurf.com

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Notes to Editors:

Please note the official event title for 2011 is “**Chevron City to Surf for Activ**”.

About the City to Surf for Activ

The City to Surf for Activ is Western Australia's biggest community event and is Activ's major fundraising event. Now its 37th year, it has become the second largest official timed race in the Southern Hemisphere, with over 40,000 participants in 2010, event organisers expect entries in 2011 to top this. For the last 36 years, the Perth City to Surf has been an icon on the Western Australian sporting calendar, capturing the hearts of tens of thousands of people have embraced the event. The Chevron City to Surf for Activ takes place this year on Sunday 28th August.

Participants can select from various events including the Marathon, Half Marathon, 12km Run/Walk, and 4km Run/Walk/Wheelchair.

The Marathon and Half Marathon courses are one of the most picturesque in the world, offering runners the opportunity to run past key Perth landmarks including the Swan River, Kings Park on to the beautiful Indian Ocean at City Beach, The Marathon, Half Marathon and 12km Run/ Walk races all start in Perth CBD on St Georges Terrace while the 4km has its start precinct at MacLean Park in Floreat. All races finish on West Coast Highway in City Beach.

The 2011 Chevron City to Surf for Activ registrations are now open at www.perthcitytosurf.com .

About Activ

Activ is one of the largest disability service providers in Western Australia. The organisation provides accommodation, employment, transport, recreation, respite, training and community support to thousands of people with disabilities and their families. Activ's services are provided across the Perth metropolitan area, as well as in regional towns, Albany, Bunbury, Busselton, Esperance, Geraldton, Kalgoorlie, Kellerberrin, Manjimup and Narrogin.

Established in 1951, the community organisation is celebrating 60 years of enabling people with disabilities and their families to pursue a better life. For more information, Activ visit www.activ.asn.au

About Chevron

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