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Mountain Climbing for Charity

Michael Du Plessis, from Queens Park has teamed up with Lisa Dobrin from Palmyra, to climb Mt Kilimanjaro in Africa in October 2013 to raise money for 'Hands Across the Water' - an Australian charity that gives at-risk Thai children and their communities a sustainable helping hand.

Michael has worked as the Electrician at Bethesda Hospital for the past eight years. Each year he raises money for Canteen by participating in the Life Cycle On-Road event – 3 day cycle event from Perth to Busselton. He met Lisa on one of these cycle events – and connected through her sister Tina Dobrin who works as a social worker for Bethesda Hospital's Palliative Ambulatory Service North (PASN).

Lisa works for the City of Belmont, overseeing their Community Development portfolio.

Together Michael and Lisa discussed their passion for charity work, and came up with the plan of climbing from the base of Mt Kilimanjaro to the summit over 8 days to raise funds for 'Hands Across the Water', a charity that Lisa has previously been involved in and supporting since 2010.

After their climb, the duo will then be visiting Bann Tharn Namchai Orphanage in the north of Thailand and will be staying there as volunteers for three days until their return home.

They will be flying out from Perth on 13 October 2013.

Michael's co-workers at Bethesda Hospital are very supportive of his adventures for charity and this time will be no different. Michael and Lisa are encouraging donations through the link below, or just if people want to follow their adventure.

<https://handsacrosstthewater.org.au/pages/climbing-mt-kilimanjaro-for-hands/>

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