



Cork cystic fibrosis fund gets fun boost

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FUND-RAISERS who want to get behind a €1 million drive for a dedicated cystic fibrosis treatment unit for Cork have a been offered the use of a city entertainment complex.

A week-long awareness and fund-raising campaign in aid of Cystic Fibrosis (CF) will take place from April 21 to 26. The appeal is organised by the Build4Life group — which was founded by friends and family of CF patients.

They are calling on businesses, schools and individuals to organise a fund-raising event or to make a donation.

CF is Ireland's most common life-threatening inherited disease, with one in 19 people carrying the gene

for the disorder. There is no cure.

Thanks to the generosity of the Mardyke Entertainment Complex, fund-raising for the cause has just been made even simpler.

Anyone organising a fund-raising event in aid of Cork CF Week during the month of April can use of the facilities at the Mardyke completely free of charge, ensuring that 100% of funds raised goes directly to the charity.

Fund-raising ideas at the Mardyke Entertainment Complex could include bowling competitions, table quiz nights, pool competitions, fun casino nights, karaoke nights, *Who Wants to be Millionaire* nights or charity gigs.

For further information on the facilities and fund-raising activities check out www.mardyke.com or call (021) 4273000.

Further help is needed

and Build 4 Life is appealing to other businesses to come on board and assist its cause throughout the month of April.

For further information on CF and how you could help, call (021) 4273000, Monday to Friday 9.30am – 5.30pm, or after hours call 086-3863949. Information and a downloadable information pack can be found on

www.build4life.net.

Donations can also be made directly through any AIB branch or on line banking. Build4Life Bank Account Allied Irish Bank. A/C No: 42797173: Sort Code 93-41-43.

● See the *Evening Echo* next week for more on the campaign, and a series of features on Cystic Fibrosis.



At the launch of the cystic fibrosis Build4Life fund-raising campaign at Beamish and Crawford are, Dr Barry Plant, Cork University Hospital; Lisa O'Connor, Evening Echo; Eddie Nicholson, Mardyke Entertainment Centre and Micheal Twomey, Etelligence Ltd.

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