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Celebrity Golf Classic gives back to community

In its 12th year, the Moolarben Coal Celebrity Golf Classic teed off another great golfing event, raising \$46,000 for the Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service.

Around 200 golfers took part in the day and some of the big names were Josh Morris, Tim Brasher, Craig Wing and Former Canadian PGA winner, Nathan Green. The headline speaker was seven-time Paralympian, Christie Dawes.

Community Engagement Manager of the Westpac Rescue Helicopter, Richard Jones OAM said, "Thank you to the organisers, this is a fantastic result for the helicopter. Our work consists of pre-hospital emergency response, search and rescue and inter-hospital transfers and often we are called to help people when they're having the worst day of their life. These funds will go towards ensuring that our service continues to be ready to respond 24 hours per day, 7 days per week".

Mudgee Club Professional and the Classics Tournament Founder, Peter Mayson was thrilled with the success of the tournament.

"It was a wonderful day of golf in Mudgee, the course looked great, and we had a solid line-up of players.

"It is not only about the golf though, it's fantastic that we raised a significant amount of money for the Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service.

"We are also proud as we reached a significant milestone of generating over \$750,000 in funding for local community groups and initiatives over the past 12 years of this event," said Peter.

The Moolarben Coal Celebrity Golf Classic is one of Mudgee's major sporting events. The golf course was again at capacity with 32 teams from across NSW competing in a unique six-person ambrose tournament, followed by an evening of dinner, auction and entertainment at the Mudgee Golf Club.

Moolarben Coal Acting General Manager, Tim Slater recognised the boost this event gives to charity every year and local businesses with an influx of people to the town.

"It is events like this that enable us to continue to make a positive impact on the Mudgee community while helping unite them for a spectacular day of golf," said Tim.

The Moolarben Coal Celebrity Golf Classic is set to return in 2027.

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