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RUN WITH MATTHEW REEVE IN THE CITY2SURF FOR SPINAL CORD INJURY RESEARCH

Superman actor the late Christopher Reeve's son, Matthew Reeve, will raise awareness of spinal cord injury research by running in the *Sun-Herald's City2Surf* in Sydney on Sunday August 12th, 2012.

Matthew Reeve will be representing both the Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation and the Spinal Cord Injury Network in the 14 km course from Hyde Park to beautiful Bondi Beach.

Proceeds from the event will contribute to the Spinal Cord Injury Network's Clinical Projects Program.

Christopher Reeve was paralysed from a horse riding accident in 1995 and sadly passed away in 2004.

Matthew has continued his father's legacy toward finding a cure for spinal cord injury by advocating for the Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation as a member of its Board of Directors.

The award-winning filmmaker inspires others to join the Spinal Cord Injury Network's Gold Charity Team in the *City2Surf*.

"Spinal cord injury can happen to anyone at anytime. By running together we can raise awareness for people living with spinal cord injury and push towards finding a cure," he said.

Spinal Cord Injury Network Chief Executive Dr Stephanie Williams said she was very proud of the *City2Surf* team and of Matthew Reeve's involvement in the run.

"It is wonderful to have such a fantastic group of people representing our spinal cord injury community on the track and field. We can collaborate in many ways to deliver outcomes for spinal cord injury research," Dr Williams said.

Matthew Reeve will make a Keynote Address at the *Connections 2012 Conference* held by the Spinal Cord Injury Network at Sydney's Convention and Exhibition Centre on August 13th 2012.

Connections 2012 builds on the *Making Connections Forum* attended by Christopher Reeve in 2003 and puts the spotlight on spinal cord injury research in Australia.

The Spinal Cord Injury Network is an alliance of leading scientists, healthcare professionals, community members and other key stakeholders who are working together to improve treatments and find a cure for spinal cord injuries.

To join the Spinal Cord Injury Network's Gold charity team in the *City2Surf* visit <http://www.realbuzz.com/groups/spinal-cord-injury-network/pages/city2surf-7/>

To register for the *Connections 2012 Conference* visit <http://www.connections2012.org/>

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