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Rather than just donating money, people should get their dancing shoes on for the inaugural Charlie Teo Foundation Ball at SKYCITY Beachside Pavilion Saturday 16 June 2018.



Brain cancer survivor Louise de Bomford-Scott, now a successful business woman with her business La Crèche.



Professor Charlie Teo AM will be guest speaker at the Ball.

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‘The ball’s theme is Sparkle and there’ll be fabulous food, wine and great entertainment,’ says organiser Louise de Bomford-Scott. ‘But best of all, Territorians will get to listen to Professor Charlie Teo AM, our guest speaker.’ Renowned Australia neurosurgeon Professor Teo’s new foundation focuses on Australian grass-roots research and prioritising local projects. ‘Australia is home to many world-leading scientists and this allows them and our Australian patients direct and accelerated access to cutting-edge and innovative trials,’ says Professor Teo. Since 2001, Professor Teo been a leading advocate for brain cancer research. Now 60, he is director of the Centre for Minimally Invasive Neurosurgery at Prince of Wales Hospital in Sydney but is more renowned as a miracle worker. ‘And he is,’ agrees Louise. ‘I wouldn’t be here today if it wasn’t for Charlie.’ The owner of La Crèche Childcare Centre and Preschool at Parap, in 2014 Louise experienced severe headaches but brushed them off as stress and tiredness

due to establishing her new business. When they intensified, she underwent an MRI in Darwin Private Hospital. It revealed a brain tumour. ‘I’d read about Dr Teo, but his office advised he only saw extreme cases and we may see one of his fellows. That was Thursday. His office then called asking if we could be in Sydney the following Tuesday and Dr Teo would see me. I knew then it must be bad. ‘Charlie not only managed to successfully remove the tumour and a secondary one that was on my optic nerve he also operated through my eyebrow leaving little to no scar.’ Two weeks later Louise and husband Michael were back in Darwin. ‘I know I looked like I’d done a few rounds with Jeff Fenech but I was up and about thanks to Charlie Teo,’ adds Louise. ‘Holding the inaugural Charlie Teo Foundation Ball is my way of supporting and giving back. I hope all Territorians will join us in celebration and help raise much-needed funds for a great cause.’

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