

# Into the swing of Jeans for Genes Day

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Staff members from Tony Cant at Maitland dressed down on Friday to raise money for the community they grew up in.

More than 30 staff members embraced Jeans for Genes Day and collected money for the Children's Medical Research Institute.

The family-owned and run real estate business was started in 1978 and has been giving back to the community ever since, according to marketing manager Cristen Cable.

"Being in real estate you service the community anyway, but we like to always give back to the community through charitable donations," Miss Cable said.

"Tony Cant has raised well over \$100,000 in the 30 years we've been in Maitland and that's not only gone to charity, but to causes like schools and soccer clubs as well."

Miss Cable said the idea to get involved on Jeans for Genes Day came



**GIVING BACK:** Tony Cant Real Estate staff members Jo Gibson (left) Adam Brown, Fiona McDougall, Bernadette Gleeson, Alisha McKinlay, Sophia Abela, Kelly Williams, Jody Morrissey, Jessica Egan and Kristen Cable. 070809SS3

from receptionist Jo Gibson.

"Jo had the idea originally and everyone else thought it was great that we could continue to give back to the community," Miss Cable said.

"We bought badges and everyone donated money whether they wore jeans to work or not."

Miss Cable said they weren't sure exactly how much had been raised and were still calculating and collecting before taking the total to the bank on Friday afternoon.

Miss Cable described Tony Cant Real Estate as growing up with Maitland and said the company's charity work had

helped their success in the area.

"The ethos of the founders is that as we've grown, we've helped the community to grow," Miss Cable said.

"We are now the biggest independent company in Maitland and we have a really strong residential property management team with over 800 properties."