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Great wheels afire!

Rally for Kids with Cancer Scavenger Cup



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The Rally for Kids with Cancer Scavenger Cup gave new meaning to the phrase "Get your motors running!" Twenty-three drivers revved the engines of their exotic cars to participate in the car rally scavenger hunt.

On a Friday evening last month, the night before the race, drivers gathered for an exclusive Celebrity Draft cocktail party at Muzik, one of the city's hottest clubs. The drivers who managed to raise the most money (the minimum was \$25,000 per car) got the top celebrity picks in the draft to accompany them on their wild ride.

Golden Globe winner **Ving Rhames** was the top draft pick, followed by sexy **Kelly Carlson** from *Nip/Tuck*; and actor **Kevin Sorbo** of *Herculean* fame. ("I grew up on *Hercules*," said one of the evening's eye-candy models. "I want to be on *Hercules*!" quipped another.)

The bidding done, it was time to rest up for the next day's rally.

On Saturday morning, drivers gathered to fuel up at the sumptuous Start Your Engines Brunch at Harbour 60 Steakhouse. Then the rally's honorary chair, Academy Award-winning actress, director and producer **Goldie Haw**n, dropped the checkered flag and the race began. From the sound of revving engines, you'd have thought it was the Molson Indy, as drivers tore out of the parking lot armed with maps, tips and clues. Along the way, they made six pit stops, including SickKids Hospital, where the kids themselves were in charge.

After the rally, several hundred guests took their stylish rides to the home of **Jim and Kim Williams** for Jeans & Jewels, an evening of entertainment and auctions.

"Children suffering — it's just unimaginable," said Goldie Haw'n. "We all have to do something to prevent it. The rally was the perfect opportunity for me to help give deserving children a voice, and it was wonderful to be able to do so in Canada. The kids were the real winners because of everyone involved."

The highest participating fundraiser, with an astounding \$243,758, was Team Mirage GT, led by **Oliver Bock**. The Team Donato Salon and Spa, led by **John Donato**, took first place. With the help of lead sponsor Roseau Asset Management, the event raised more than \$1-million. Amazing — a big shout out to Solutions with Impact, which organized the event.

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Leo Stakos, host of Fish TV, and his wife, Lisa.



Kathleen Dusk, Julita Boriko and Julita Chanas.



Kiki McKenna and legendary quarterback Damon Allen, special advisor to the CEO of the Toronto Argonauts.



Naomi Stremier, singer/songwriter.



Scott O'Born, VP operations, TPH, in an Aston Martin V8 Vantage.



Michael Tambyn, Macleod Dixon LLP, driving a Shelby 427 Cobra.



Playboy Playmate Monica Leigh.

Jazz singer Emilie-Claire Barlow and Juno award-winner Melanie Doane.



Rally drivers Lorne Burnett and David Connacher.



Singer Suzie McNeil and Earl O'Born, president and CEO, The Printing House Ltd.



Matt Dusk and Ben Mulroney.

Kevin Sorbo, star of Hercules, surrounded by Kelly models.



Mara Purves and Mike Tambureno, wearing Painted Body suits.



Actor Lisa Marcos (The Listener).

Toronto Argonauts CEO Mike "Proball" Clemens with his jazz singer wife, Diane.



Automotive journalist Nika Rolczewski driving a Ferrari 599.



Rally driver David Connacher in a Ferrari 360 Spider.



Actor Ving Rhames, right, with guest.



Lorraine Quartaro and Chad Brincheski, Solutions with Impact.



Jim Williams, president and CEO, Williams Communications, with his wife, Kim, and Kelly Carlson.



Lori and Leonard Latchman, president and founder, LDL Corp.



Team Toskan-Casale.



Joel Hock, Solutions with Impact, and his wife, Lisa.



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