

**Senator Catryna Bilyk**  
**Labor Senator for Tasmania**

**MEDIA RELEASE**

**Beach goers give generously to help flood victims**

To celebrate Australia Day, Senator Catryna Bilyk joined with over 10,000 beach goers for the *A Day on the Beach* event at Kingston Beach.

As Co-Patron of the event, Senator Bilyk gave a speech at the official opening.

Senator Bilyk also had an information stall and judged Cricket Australia's Classic Catches.

"I also decided to use the day as an opportunity to raise money for the flood appeal. People gave generously and I was able to raise \$500," said Senator Bilyk.

The Lions Club of Kingborough and Rotary Club of Kingston also collected money for the flood appeal.

When combined, the money exceeded \$1000 with the final figure still to be established. The money raised will be matched by the State Government.

"It always amazes me how willing people are to help others. People have donated money to the flood affected communities as well as providing practical assistance in the flood zone.

"Australia is a nation full of spirit and it was fantastic to see this shine through on Australia Day," said Senator Bilyk.

Once again, *A Day on the Beach* was a successful event with many activities for people to enjoy.

"Australia Day is a day when we should unite to celebrate our wonderful nation. Each person contributes in some way and we should value those contributions.

"I look forward to *A Day on the Beach* in 2012," said Senator Bilyk.

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Photo: Senator Catryna Bilyk and Scott Faulkner with the donation tin.