

Ann & Nigel's Climb for Cancer Mera Peak, 2014

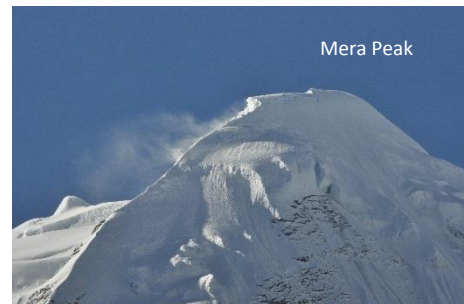


1 in 2 Australians will be diagnosed with cancer by the age of 85

It's statistics such as this, and the way cancer has affected our families and friends, that prompted us to rise to the challenge of climbing Mera Peak (6,462m) in the Hinku Valley region in eastern Nepal this October and raise funds for cancer research.

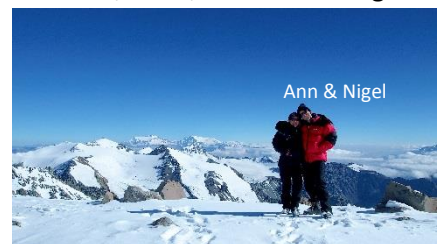
Commencing 6th October, our route will take us from the world's scariest airport at Lukla, the traditional stepping off point for treks into the Everest region.

From Lukla we immediately head off the beaten track and away from the busy Khumbu valley by crossing the Zatrwa La pass at 4,610m to the quiet Hinku valley. A steady trek with plenty of acclimatisation days should see us reach Mera Base Camp at 5,000m on 14th October. Camps will be set up at about 5,400m and 5,800m, with a summit attempt somewhere around 17th – 19th.



We'll travel as a small expedition, just the two of us, two climbing guides, two porters and a cook, all provided by the team from [Himalayan Ascent](#).

Our altitude record stands at 6,000m, set on Aconcagua in Argentina in 2013 (photo below), so this will be a new challenge!



Join us in supporting those working to support cancer patients, and those working to find ways to treat, prevent and cure cancer.

As the Cancer Council is a non-government organisation they are funded by people like ourselves, so every dollar we raise really will make a difference!

Help us help others. With thanks, Ann & Nigel Leadbitter.

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