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Survivor spreads cancer message

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Michelle Hutchinson with sister Renee and mother Sandra.

MICHELLE Hutchinson, of Langford, knew nothing about ovarian cancer until she was diagnosed with the disease in February last year.

"I didn't get a period ... I hadn't had one for four months, so I went to the doctor," Ms Hutchinson said.

"The doctor checked my ovaries and found a cyst. I had the CA 125 test done and it came back positive."

The 30-year-old said all she could think of when she was diagnosed was her young sons.

"I thought I was going to die and leave my beautiful boys behind," she said.

Fifteen months after the diagnosis the young mum has made a full recovery, with help from her family and friends, and has a new direction in life.

"I want to encourage all women to pay closer attention to their health," she said.

"Since my diagnosis all my friends and family members are taking greater care of their health."

Ms Hutchinson, her mother and her sister will be at the Carousel Shopping Centre on Saturday, May 26, to raise awareness about ovarian cancer.

They will host a sausage sizzle with all money raised to go towards ovarian cancer research.

The trio will also be giving out information kits about ovarian cancer.

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