

## GOING BACKWARDS TO GO FORWARDS FOR CANCER CARE

15 August 2022

Patrick Kelly will attempt a world record in driving a tractor and trailer, in reverse, during the National Ploughing Championships. He will attempt this challenge in a 1962 Massey Ferguson tractor with no power steering.

The National Ploughing Championships will take place in Ratheniska, Co. Laois from September 20th to 22<sup>nd</sup>. This Guinness world record attempt will take place on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September.

This extraordinary fundraising effort – to raise over €150,000 - by Patrick is in honour of his mother, Mai Kelly, who died of cancer. All proceeds will be used to support **cancer care** in St James's Hospital.

### **St James's Hospital and Cancer**

St James's Hospital treats over 4,000 cases every year and more cancers than any other hospital. Behind each of these numbers is a patient living with cancer. The Hospital, in alliance with Trinity College Dublin, is creating Ireland's only Comprehensive Cancer Centre already accredited by the OECl and is uniquely positioned to bring Ireland's contribution in the fight against cancer to a new level – **helping to prevent it, to detect it early, to cure it, and if that's not possible now, to control it.**

Donations can be made online to: [justgiving.com/campaign/TractorChallenge](https://justgiving.com/campaign/TractorChallenge)

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### **Additional information**

Location for Patrick's challenge: just by the main competition area for the World Ploughing Championships and catering area.

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