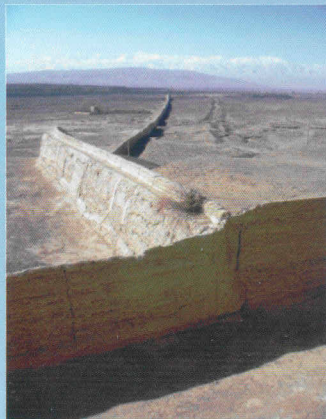


## Sylvia's Walk for CanSur

Having suffered breast cancer, Sylvia Slykhuis wanted to make a personal contribution towards research. Her dream was to walk the Great Wall of China and to arrive in Beijing in time for the opening of the Olympics.



Starting on the 21st March 2008 at Yumen Guan in North Western Gansu Province, she walked across China and had many unique experiences; through deserts, along mountain tops, across rivers, she stayed with farmers in their primitive houses and taught English to school children.

At one point the authorities suspected her of terrorism, but eventually after much discussion and phone calls she was freed. She had to break her trip to renew her visa but the Australian Embassy didn't want to help. After sitting on the step in front of the embassy front door in strike mode, she was eventually given a temporary extension to her visa and she was able to return to the Great Wall to continue her journey. But she didn't make it to Beijing. She is now studying Mandarin and plans to return to complete the journey.

We thank Sylvia for showing that difficult tasks can be achieved with great effort and through this we can make a difference. She carried the flag of CanSur. We know the cure of cancer is a difficult task but are encouraged on our journey by the efforts of people like Sylvia.



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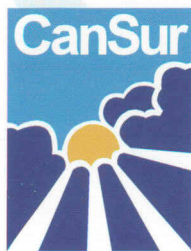
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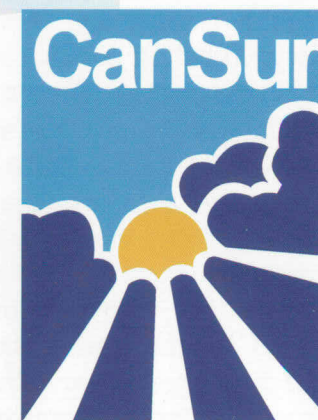
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