



Community rallies to replace home



LIONS SHARE ... Sandi and Danny Buck with Kerry and Jessica and Brian Mattingley (Palm Beach Currumbin Lions), Joy Mattingley (PBC Lionesses), Matt Stone (Southern Star) and Nancye Skinner (PBC Lionesses).

Hope builds for battling Bucks

THE Tugun community is proving to the Buck family that where there's a will, there's a way.

Residents and a property developer have stepped up to the plate to help the Bucks build a new home following an account of their struggle in the *Sun* earlier this year.

Four family members are living in a small, poorly-wired, asbestos-riddled home that is falling apart, while battling muscular dystrophy, a degenerative genetic disease that targets muscle, organs and the brain.

Daniel is the sole carer of the house and the only one who does not have the condition.

Local groups formed the Buck Family Building Project to help

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raise money to build them a more suitable home.

Most recently, Gold Coast developer Graeme Ingles has vowed to help the Buck family build a new house in Tugun through his company, Ingles Homes.

He is calling on the rest of the building community to donate products and money towards the project.

"The Buck family has endured more than their fair share of bad fortune, and I hope the Gold Coast's business community will get behind their cause and deliver them a better quality of life," said Mr Ingles.

LJ Hooker Tugun has also jumped on board to help the

family with fundraising and sourcing a rental property when their house is demolished.

With \$3000 raised to date, Palm Beach Lioness Nancye Skinner said she was happy with the progress so far.

"We're only a small community so it's great to see more people come on board - we're thrilled to have help from Ingles," she said.

"When we read the first article we just saw someone in the community who needed help; if there are any people in the local community who need a hand and we can give them some assistance, we'll be there."

Those wishing to help out can call Matt Stone on 5535 3422.