

Stuntman over hangover

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WHEN Scott McLean was hit by a ute during the filming of *The Hangover Part II* last year, doctors didn't know whether he would walk or talk again.

Now the Coogee stuntman hopes to run over the finish line in the upcoming City to Surf to raise funds for the institution that ensured his recovery – the Royal Rehabilitation Centre at Ryde.

It's been a harrowing six

months for Mr McLean and his partner of 13 years, Raelene Chapman for whom the incident in Bangkok on December 17 is still fresh.

"I was waiting for Scott in our hotel room when I got the phone call," she said.

It's been a daily battle for the man who has enjoyed an active lifestyle as one of the country's leading stuntmen, working on movies such as *The Matrix* and

Superman, and television shows including *Rescue Special Ops*.

His recovery has been nothing short of astonishing.

"It was a horrible time, he was in post traumatic amnesia for five months," Ms Chapman said.

"But from the moment he arrived at the Royal Rehabilitation Centre the day after his seizure, we felt a weight lifted off our shoulders."



From left, Ed Helms and Ken Jeong in a scene from *The Hangover Part II*.

INSPIRATIONAL SCOTT SETS A ROLL GOAL

■ Stuntman Scott McLean, who has had to learn to walk and talk again, now hopes to complete his inspirational fightback by participating in this year's City to Surf to raise money for the Royal Rehabilitation Centre. "He wants to run and walk but we know that's impossible so we're taking the wheelchair down but the goal is for him to learn to run in 10 weeks so he can run over the finish line," partner Raelene Chapman said.

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