



# RESET

## METROIDVANIATHON

To benefit the Kernicterus research centre. Dedicated to Thomas Happ and his family, including his son Alastair who's afflicted with this condition.

**In collaboration with:**



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# OUR HISTORY

No Reset Marathons was founded in 2016, following the return of Dimitrios "Gvirus" Lianopoulos from Awesome Games Done Quick. He decided to build an organization which will produce quality events that will both promote Speedrunning as well as benefiting various charities mostly in Quebec.

Speedrunning the practice of finishing various video games in the fastest way possible, according to constraints established previously by the community. The Metroidvania genre greatly popularized the Speedrunning Super Metroid for the SNES is widely recognized as one of the greatest modern "speedgames".

A Metroidvania is an open world game where the main character evolves by acquiring new skills hidden in the environment, allowing it to move into new areas that were previously out of reach.

## THE CAUSE

Kernicterus is a very rare type of brain injury that occurs in a newborn afflicted with a severe jaundice. It occurs when bilirubin, a substance in the blood increases to very high levels and spreads in the brain tissue. This causes permanent brain damage.

Thomas Happ, creator of the critically acclaimed Indie game Axiom Verge, wrote on his blog in 2015 about his son, Alastair's, health. He said that he was suffering from severe jaundice but he seemed to draw no ill effects according to doctors. Unfortunately, we learned in September 2016 that it was not the case and that his motor functions were greatly affected and that he will probably never be autonomous.

The aim of the marathon is to raise awareness of this little-known disease, and by extension, support a member of our community who has contributed so much in the past years.

# THE EVENT

It will take place **on November 25- 27 Novembre 2016!**

Admission is **free** for everyone! (18+ only)

Doors will open on **Friday starting at 5pm**

Submissions can be sent here: <https://goo.gl/hBcSyh>.

The marathon will be broadcasted live, without interruption at <https://www.twitch.tv/noresetmarathon> and will take place at Meltdown Montréal!

People can donate **via Paypal** or directly by **crédit card** all funds will go towards the **Kernicterus Research Centre**. Our host shall keep you entertained and all runs will have commentary!



# CONTACT

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