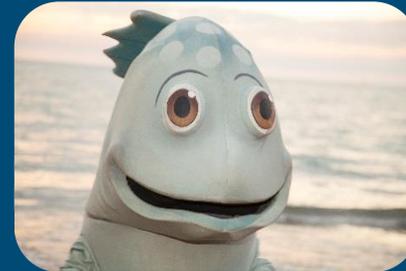




# ROYAL LIFE SAVING NORTHERN TERRITORY

## Annual Report 2018/19



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## Message from our Patrons Her Honour Vicki O'Halloran AM and Mr Craig O'Halloran



As Patrons of Royal Life Saving Society (Australia) Northern Territory Branch, it gives us great pleasure to contribute to your annual report.

Over the past year Royal Life Saving Society NT has continued its remarkable efforts to ensure that the next generation of Territorians is well-equipped to enjoy our beautiful waterways.

Recreational water activities are a much-loved part of our way of life in the Territory, and the invaluable lessons Royal Life Saving provide ensure these can be enjoyed safely. Skills in practical water safety and strong and effective swimming techniques are a vital way to ensure the safety of all Territorians.

On behalf of all Territorians, we thank those who undertook the task of providing these important lessons to over 13,000 children across the Northern Territory. We are also happy to learn that you delivered your vital programs face-to-face to over 2000 children who reside in some of our most remote locations across the Territory. A remarkable achievement given the unique geographic challenges of our Northern Territory.

We extend our heartfelt condolences to the families who have lost their loved ones to drowning. Sadly, six Territorians lost their lives in drowning related incidents this past year, highlighting the continued need for lifesaving services and advocacy.

We are secure in the knowledge that the Royal Life Saving Society is committed to continuing its public awareness programs and educational initiatives, such as the Water Safety Awareness Program, alongside visits to our remote communities, to prevent further tragedies occurring.

As joint Patrons we are delighted that this year you celebrate 125 years of Life Saving in Australia. We look forward to working with you in support of your organisation over the coming year, and look forward to hearing of your continued progress. Thank you for your outstanding service to our community. We wish the Royal Life Saving Australia NT Branch and its members all the very best.

Yours in Lifesaving,

Her Honour the Honourable Vicki O'Halloran AO  
Administrator of the Northern Territory and Mr Craig O'Halloran  
1 September 2019



## Message from the President Penny Hart



Royal Life Saving Society NT is focussed on our mission of preventing loss of life and injury in the aquatic environment and promoting safe participation in water related pursuits. The NT Branch continues to strengthen in every facet of its operations. Throughout the 2018/2019 year the NT Branch issued an amazing 23,813 certificates, including 13,233 from the Swim and Survive program and 10,580 training certificates.

The NT Branch has proven its capacity as the peak body for water safety training and education and remains fixed to its cause of drowning prevention. We have a very strong strategic plan – “Our People, Our Lifestyle, Our Water 2018-2022” , and our organisation continues to build strong community relationships that ensure courses, programs and drowning prevention strategies are delivered to communities throughout the NT whether they are in urban, rural or remote areas.

I am pleased to advise that the NT Branch continues to forge strong partnerships with industry and works in collaboration with Pool Managers; with Government through the various Departments of Sport and Recreation, Local Government, Health, Indigenous Affairs, Family and Community Services, Education and Training; with the Education Sector through Primary, Middle, Senior and Pre-schools, with like training providers such as AUSTSWIM; and of course with the community throughout the various health promotion initiatives and community development programs.

On behalf of Royal Life Saving NT Branch I would like to thank the following people:

- The Patrons of the Society, Her Honour Vicki O’Halloran AM & Mr Craig O’Halloran
- Senator the Honourable Nigel Scullion – Minister for Indigenous Affairs
- Senator the Honourable Ken Wyatt – Minister for Indigenous Affairs
- Luke Gosling OAM MP – Federal Member for Solomon
- The Hon. Lauren Moss, Minister for Tourism & Culture - Sport and Recreation
- The Hon. Selena Uibo- Minister for Education
- The Board of Directors, Members and volunteers for their outstanding commitment
- The NT Branch staff, swimming teachers and trainers who are all very committed to the Society’s teachings and future directions.
- Royal life Saving Australia and Branches across Australia for strong working relationships in our commitment to water safety and safe aquatic sport and recreation.

Yours in Lifesaving

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Penny Hart'.

Penny Hart – President



### Report from the Executive Director

In 2018/19 we celebrated 2234 active members, representing a 7% increase from the previous year. We conducted 72 community events reaching 129,062 people. Royal Life Saving NT provided a community benefit and services to 149,275 people across the northern Territory, achieving our strategic goal of reaching over 40% of our population.

The number one focus for Royal Life Saving NT is drowning prevention strategies relevant to the needs of our community. We remain true to our Mission and Vision which are critical to keep our community safe and active. Despite our committed actions and advocacy, the Northern Territory maintains the highest drowning rate, per capita, in Australia.

13,233 primary school aged children from 85 schools participated in the Swim and Survive program, with 1123 achieving the national benchmark of level 4. Participation numbers are slightly under but the number achieving a level 4 and above has nearly doubled despite only 4.4% of enrolled students achieving the National Benchmark. Royal Life Saving NT are deeply concerned about these statistics and continues to engage families and lobby Government to fund the Swim and Survive Program for Primary School students in years 4, 5 and 6. This issue led to a collaboration with the Department of Education to trial phase 2 of the alternate model of Swimming and Water Safety. The Water Safety and Life Skills program trials provided an opportunity for students in Years 4 and 6 to participate in 3 full days of a curriculum linked Water Safety and Life Skills program over a three week period. Gray and Karama Primary participated in the trial, with 184 students actively engaged over the 3 full days at the Pool. This trial provides opportunity for schools to minimise costs and disruption to class, while still teaching vital skills. The second phase has confirmed retention of skills of the students and increased value of the program by the schools and families. We are hoping to complete a third trial to have 3 years of data for the schools.

2,069 children from 30 remote schools participated in the Remote Swim, Survive and Strive project and 155 students achieved the national swimming and water safety benchmark of a level four and above, 2 students from Areyonga achieved their Bronze Star. The project enabled children to learn to swim and participate in a Pool Lifesaving carnival. The project includes Royal Life Saving training and AUSTSWIM mentoring to assist local people in obtaining employment or volunteer services at their community swimming pool. 283 local community people participated in this training, with 33 indigenous people gaining employment. 53 Indigenous rangers completed training with a total of 3830 people in 21 remote community locations participating in the program. We have completed a 10 year evaluation of the program that we plan to release this year.

10,580 training certificates were issued with 45% of this training conducted in regional and remote areas. 4,685 statements of attainments were issued under Vocational Education and Training. 369 Training courses were conducted over the NT.

The NT Government funded Water Safety Awareness Program provides a fantastic opportunity for families to access free water safety lessons for their child. This year 2,222 enrolments were received with 13 providers operating across the NT. 24,042 children have participated in this program since inception. The NT Government have extended the program with the Learn to Swim Vouchers and this has been positively received by families across the Northern Territory. We have completed a 15 year evaluation of the program that we hope to launch with the Minister this year as the value to drowning prevention is truly making a difference.

The Sport of Pool Lifesaving achieved increased participation with over 3,000 children participating in carnivals in Darwin, Katherine, Alice Springs, Tennant Creek and remote communities. Royal Life Saving NT sent a team of twelve lifesaving athletes to the Australian Pool Life Saving Championships in Sydney. We placed 5th overall, a fantastic achievement. Thanks to our coaches, volunteers and officials whose ongoing commitment and contribution to the sport makes a huge difference for our community.

I am pleased to complete my report by advising members, stakeholders and volunteers that the NT Branch is in a strong position and looks forward to the ongoing challenges and opportunities. I would like to sincerely thank our devoted volunteers including the Executive Management Team led by Penny Hart, our trainers, swim teachers and our members. I would like to thank Royal Life Saving National Office and all the State and Territory Branches of Royal Life Saving. Finally I would like to thank the fantastic staff for their continued dedication and commitment. I am proud and honoured to be part of a fantastic team that is strengthened by and committed to our values of Quality, Respect and Innovation.

Yours in lifesaving  
Floss Roberts

### **Highlights of the Year 2018/2019**

- Provided a community benefit and services to 149,275 people across the northern Territory, achieving our strategic goal of reaching over 40% of our population.
- 13,233 children participated in the Swim and Survive program with 1123 Students achieving the National Water Safety Competency Benchmark of a level 4 or above.
- 297 children participated in our “Little Royals Swim School” Program run in Tennant Creek, Batchelor, Katherine and Darwin with 211 of these registered in Katherine
- 3,830 people participated within the Indigenous Advancement Strategy - Remote Swim, Survive & Strive. The project ran within 21 remote communities with 30 remote schools accessing the program. This includes 2,069 students in remote locations with 155 achieving the national swimming and water safety benchmark of

a level 4 or above. 283 people were trained and now qualified with range of qualifications. 33 Indigenous people gained employment as a direct result of the project, through the AUSTSWIM mentoring program. Ranger training was completed by 53 indigenous sea rangers.

- 369 Training courses were conducted across the NT, for 2,524 participants, with 10,580 certificates issued including 4,685 statements of attainments. 45% of training courses were delivered in regional and remote area of the Northern Territory.
- AUSTSWIM: 17 courses with 156 participants, 50% of these were delivered in Regional and Remote locations. Continue to administer the AUSTSWIM State Advisory Committee
- The Northern Territory Water Safety Advisory Council was administered on behalf of the Northern Territory Government with 4 meetings conducted, reports completed to the Northern Territory's Water Safety Strategy for 2017-2021.
- 30 Schools participated in Pipes and Drains education sessions which reached 1,217 students. In addition to this, 5 community events were attended directly targeting the Pipes & Drains message, reaching an estimated 10,000 people
- A total of 30 schools were visited by the Water Safety Unit to deliver water safety talks to 3,266 students across the NT.
- Water Safety Week 23rd September to 29<sup>th</sup> September 2018 with 13 events to over 10,000 people, including Splashfest.
- 24,042 children have enrolled in the Water Safety Awareness Program since 2003, with 80% of children completing all five sessions.
- There was a total of 2222 enrolments for July 2018 – June 2019 in the Water Safety Awareness Program with 13 Providers – Swim Schools
- Conducted 72 community events, providing a direct community benefit to over 129,062 people
- Maintained 29 Keep Watch Ambassadors and worked with all levels of Government to highlight the importance of water safety and preventing drowning
- 2234 Members, 2 Corporate Members, 156 Voting Members
- Sport: 114 active pool lifesaving members, 4 Pool Lifesaving Carnivals, represented NT in the APLSC in Sydney and placed 5th, conducted 21 remote pool lifesaving carnivals and 5 Active Family Fun Day Sporting Events
- Beriversafe and Respect the River campaign has engaged with over 90,000 children and adults
- Maintained 11 Permanent staff, including 1 full-time position based in Alice Springs; 43 registered Trainers and 31 casual Swim Teachers.
- Provided direct community services and benefits to 149,275 people in the Northern Territory
- Sadly 6 people drowned in 2018.2019 year in the Northern Territory

## Our Organisation

### History of RLSSA NT

Royal Life Saving Society Australia Northern Territory Branch has a proud history of serving communities and individuals and is the leading water safety education and training provider in the Northern Territory. The NT formed a stand-alone Branch of the Royal Life Saving Society – Australia in 1965 and since then has played a critical role in reducing drowning deaths, particularly in under five-year-olds through raising water safety awareness and teaching children water safety and swimming skills. We believe that everyone can be a lifesaver. Through innovative training practices, such as e-learning courses, we are continuing to find new ways to serve our community and help Territorians develop the skills to save lives.

**Our Mission:** To prevent loss of life and injury in the community with an emphasis on the aquatic environment.

**Our Vision:** To build a healthy, strong and safe aquatic community through access to water safety education and training.

### Strategic Statement

Royal Life Saving is a Public Benevolent Institution (PBI) dedicated to the saving of lives. We turn everyday people into everyday community lifesavers. We achieve this through education, training, sport and participation, health promotion, risk management, advocacy and research.

Royal Life Saving provides the platform for people to pursue aquatic based activities.

Royal Life Saving is both a sport organisation and recreation organisation.

Royal Life Saving operates through a community development model, working together to build capacity from the ground up.

### Values

- Integrity
- Respect
- Quality
- Leadership
- Innovation
- Transparency

Based on the values of the organisation Royal Life Saving is a performance culture dependent on a strong, committed team.

### Strategic Intent

Our strategic intent is to service the rapidly changing and growing community throughout the Northern Territory, whilst continuously improving the quality of our services, knowledge and research. We will accommodate the rate of change in the environment, lifestyle and community attitudes, while maintaining a team spirit, a healthy balance with volunteers and reaching a consensus of the highest level in decision making.

## Target 2022

A sustainable business that increases Royal Life Saving services across the whole of the Northern Territory, providing a community benefit to at least 40% of Territorians.

## Our People

### Executive Board and Governance

Royal Life Saving Society - Australia – NT has an entirely volunteer Board, who provide their skills, insights, time and commitment to the organisation. The Board of 9 people meets a minimum of eight times annually and is elected by the membership at the annual general meeting held in Darwin. This meeting is open to all financial members of the organisation and is held on the first Friday in September at 6pm, advertised in the NT News, our Kicking Back newsletter and emailed to all members.

The Board is aware of their role and the prescribed governance standards for not-for-profit organisations and is focussed on the Strategic Plan: Our People, Our Lifestyle, and Our Water 2018-2022

**Table 1: Board Positions, Qualifications, Experience and Responsibilities**

Name	Qualifications	Experience	Special Responsibilities
Penny Hart	BA Grad Dip in Teaching Cert IV Governance & Risk	Background in swimming, teaching, governance and administration. Previous NT pool lifesaving as a sport team member. Member of the Board 2013-2015, 2017-present	President
Bradley Mortimer	BA, LLB (Hons) LLM	Corporate and Association background Member of the Board from 17/4/2012	Vice President / Deputy Chairperson
Randall Cook	B.Ed. Grad Dip in Educational Mgmt.	Foundation member of the Board of the Katherine Regional Community Bank. Extensive experience as a Principal serving on School Councils. Served on numerous AUSTSWIM committees. Member of the Board since 1998.	Committee Member
James Sheridan	B.Bus, MTechMgt(RiskMgt). ANZIIF(AFF) CIP	Risk management, strategic planning & governance Background Elected to Board from 7/9/2018	Committee Member

Joe De Luca	Bachelor of Business (Acc), Grad Dip Management, FCPA, JP.	Extensive experience in audit, accounting, quality assurance and treasury management. Treasurer or Executive Board member on several non-profit organisations and/or charities with the NT as well as National Peak Bodies. Member of Board from 1/11/2017	Treasurer
Alice Doyle	BHealthSc Grad Dip Teach C IV Youth C IV TAA and TAE Dip Auditing	Executive Board member of many sporting organisations, including responsibilities as Secretary /Treasurer /Returning Officer. Member of Board from 16/3/2010	Committee Member
Rodney Cremona	B.Ed AUSTSWIM TSW	Ten years involvement in Royal Life Saving NT as a Trainer and Teacher Member of Board from 2/9/2015	Secretary
Fritz Risler	B.Ed	Member of the Board from 17/4/2012. 30 years commitment to Royal Life Saving NT. Member of Board from 21/8/2013 to 7/9/2018	Committee Member
Belinda Lawton	BA (Hons); Master of Arts. Currently PhD candidate.	Formerly National Communications Manager RLSSA and Advisor to Royal Life Saving NT. Worked for The Alliance for Safe Children on drowning prevention in Asia. Audrey Fagan Leadership Program (AICD led course) 2017. Member of the Board since June 2017.	Committee Member National Councillor Representative
Annette Roberts	Dip MMT Dip HR, WHS Dip TAE GAICD	Extensive experience in Aquatic Industry. Sport and management background Member of Board from 12/7/2006	Public Officer

**Table 2: Record of Management Committee Meetings and Attendance**

Mtg #	Date	Randall	Penny	Brad	Jo	Rod	Alice	Fritz James	Floss	Belinda
1	13/8/2018	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
AGM	7/9/2018	P	P	A	P	P	A	P	P	P
2	15/10/2018	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
3	12/11/2018	A	P	P	P	A	A	A	P	A
4	18/2/2019	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P
5	18/3/2019	P	A	P	A	P	P	P	P	P
6	15/4/2019	A	P	A	P	P	A	P	P	A
7	20/5/2019	A	P	A	P		P	P	P	P
8	17/6/2019	A	P	A	P	P	P	P	P	P

P-Present A- Apology N/A – Not Applicable R -resigned S/L – Sick Leave

- Fritz Risler resigned 7/9/2018
- James Sheridan appointed 7/9/2018
- Belinda Lawton elected to position of National Director RLSSA 8/9/2018

### Employment

Royal Life Saving Society - Australia – NT is an equal opportunity employer. All staff adhere to our Code of Ethics, Code of Conduct and Code of Practice. Staff are employed under a certified enterprise agreement. We have 10 full-time staff, 21 casual swimming teachers and 33 registered trainers as valuable members of our workforce team.

As we work closely with families, all staff must undergo a police check and have a Working with Children Clearance (Ochre Card) as per Northern Territory legislation. We also verify they hold current, relevant qualifications.



RLSSA NT Team Week activity 27.6.19

**Table 3: Royal Life Saving NT Staff 2018/2019**

<b>Position</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Responsibilities</b>
<b>Executive Director</b>	Floss Roberts	Strategic Planning, Governance, Local, State and Federal Government Representative, Community Engagement, Media, Administration, Marketing, Human Resource Management, RTO Compliance, WHS Compliance
<b>2IC Manager Education, Programs &amp; IAS</b>	Stephen Gazzola	Second in Charge, Coordination of Indigenous Advancement Strategy: Swim Survive and Strive in Remote Areas Manager Education & Programs, Swim and Survive in Schools, Community Programs, People with Disabilities, Adults, Swim and Survive Partner Program
<b>Water Safety Unit Manager</b>	Jill Dowd	Manage Water Safety Unit and Water Safety Awareness Program Keep Watch, Infant Aquatics, Community Events, PBI, Membership
<b>Training Manager</b>	Rebecca Gawne	RTO Management, Training, AUSTSWIM
<b>WSAP &amp; Programs Officer</b>	Tiarne Vella-Hunt	Deliver Water Safety Awareness Program, assist Programs and Training, Social Media & Community Events
<b>Programs Coordinator</b>	Laura Withers	Swim and Survive, School Programs, Sunday Lifesaving, Sport
<b>Central Australia Training &amp; Programs Officer</b>	Rebecca Brown Dianne Crisp	Training, Programs, Sport and WSAP in Central Australia Sport Development Officer
<b>Inland Waterways Project &amp; Community Development Officer</b>	Cieran New	River Safety Project, Water Dreaming Project Remote Swim & Survive Officer
<b>Finance and Administration Officer</b>	Deanne Hunt Melissa Clarke	Finance, Administration, Merchandise,

## Membership

### Royal Life Saving NT Membership Summary 2018/2019

A total of 2234 members contributed to the activities of the Society during 2018-19 period. This was a 15.4% increase from last financial year.

Thank you to our Patron of the Society, Her Honour the Honourable Vicki O'Halloran.

*Table 4: Royal Life Saving NT Membership Summary 2018/2019*

#### *Summary of Financial Members as at 30 June 2019*

<b>Membership Type</b>	<b>Number</b>
Corporate	2
Individual	49
Patron	2
Pool Life Saving – Alice Springs	35
Pool Life Saving – Darwin	21
Seniors	4
Trainer	43
<b>Total</b>	<b>156</b>

#### *Summary of Non-financial Members as at 30 June 2019*

<b>Membership Type</b>	<b>Number</b>
Award	1834
Friends of Lifesaving	234
Life	7
Schools	1
Swim & Survive Partners	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>2078</b>



<b>Royal Life Saving NT Life Members</b>
Kath Midgley
Fritz Risler
Randall Cook
Alister Lear
Jenny Verrall
Daphne Read
Kathy Curby (Dec)
Petina Franklin

#### *Summary of Royal Life Saving Northern Territory Members as at 30 June 2019*

<b>Total Members</b>	<b>2234</b>
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## In loving Memory of Kathy Curby

Kathy Curby was the first Executive Director of Royal Life Saving NT and sadly passed away on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2019. Kathy was a valued life member and her contribution to Royal Life Saving NT was outstanding and she will always be a lady of lifesaving in our hearts.



## Our Lifestyle

### Our Community

A crucial element of Royal Life Saving Northern Territory's activities is working with all Territorians to raise awareness and share water safety skills and knowledge, specifically to prevent drowning. As a public benevolent institution (PBI), public education and advocacy are at the core of our purpose.

In the past financial year Royal Life Saving Northern Territory has had an active involvement in 72 community events at schools, shopping centres, parenting groups, remote communities and major Northern Territory events including Water Safety Week, Teddy Bears Picnic, Families Week, Children's Week and the Defence Expo. In addition to these events, two new events were attended, Government House Open Day and the Seniors Expo. These events were enjoyed greatly by the volunteers who attended them and gave great exposure to the activities of the organisation. Over 129,062 members of the community directly interacted with Royal Life Saving Northern Territory at these events. This is a 9% increase of Territorians engaged with water safety messages compared to last year. This is an outstanding result for 2018/19 and demonstrates the commitment and dedication of the volunteers of Royal Life Saving Northern Territory to drowning prevention in our community.



Alice Springs Show 6.7.18



Government House Open Day 1.9.18



Swim, Save, Survive Holiday Program  
1.10.18

## Our Volunteers

Pool Lifesaving also benefitted from volunteer assistance throughout the year with Alister Lear continuing to support Darwin Pool Lifesaving. Rebecca Brown, Elena Pecorari and Di Crisp have also been a great support to Pool Lifesaving in Alice Springs. Liz Durnin continues to be a wonderful support for Pool Lifesaving fundraising in Alice Springs.

In addition to community events, board members also donated their time to provide strategic assistance; their time was dependant on their specific responsibilities. Over 100 hours were donated to the Organisation to ensure the operations plan aligned to the budget and strategic plan.

As a volunteer organisation, Royal Life Saving Northern Territory is very fortunate to be associated with amazing people who are willing to donate their valuable time to spread the water safety message. Since 2010/2011 an individual has been recognised for their outstanding commitment to the community.

The 2018/2019 Volunteer of the Year is awarded to Belinda Lawton. Belinda has worked tirelessly in her role as a board member and by providing support and guidance to the Executive Director.

**Table 5: Volunteer of the Year Award for outstanding commitment to the community**

2010/2011	Jill Dowd
2011/2012	Alister Lear
2012/2013	Karon Lamb
2013 / 2014	Trevor Cawthorne
2014/2015	Bradley Mortimer
2015/2016	Petina Franklin
2016/2017	Elizabeth Durnin
2017/2018	Fritz Risler
2018/2019	Belinda Lawton



The **Trevor Cawthorne memorial award** was established in 2017 in memory of Trevor and the outstanding volunteer service he provided to Royal Life Saving NT. This year the recipient of this valued award is Steve Whiteside in recognition of his outstanding volunteer commitment. Steve has volunteered over 100 hours to Royal Life Saving and like Trevor he is humble and a valued member of our community.



**Trevor Cawthorne Memorial Award**

2016/2017	Kate Dowd
2017/2018	Chloe Sein
2018/2019	Steve Whiteside

**Kind Donations**

Thank you to Ruth Morley Legal Services for the kind donation for fins for Pool Life Saving in Alice Springs. This helps grow our sport and develop the skills and fitness of members in Alice Springs.

Thank you to Bali Rides who sponsor our NT Pool Lifesaving team to attend the National Championships.

Thank you Nina and Ramang, your kind donation is appreciated by our sport and all our members.



## Training and Aquatic Services

Registered Training Organisation – RTO Provider Number 0859

Royal Life Saving Society Northern Territory Branch is the leading authority and provider of vocationally aligned education and training programs to service the aquatic industry. As a Registered Training Organisation, the society prides itself on high quality, sector specific training and assessment systems via traditional and flexible learning options.

Every year we train pool lifeguards, pool managers, teachers, swim teachers and first aiders in workplaces and members of the community across the Northern Territory. Training is the cornerstone of our vision for a safer community.

Royal Life Saving is continuing to encourage schools and community groups to adopt lifesaving programs for their students and members as a valuable educational experience as well as providing skills that may lead to a career pathway or may one day save a life. Royal Life Saving believes that everyone can be a lifesaver. Whether as a responsible member of the community or for a lifesaving career, the skills you learn are skills for life.

During 2018-2019, 369 courses were conducted with 2524 Participants, 10580 certificates issued including 4685 Statements of attainment.

- 141 Participants trained in Pool Lifeguard
- 422 Participants trained in Bronze Medallion
- 413 Participants trained in First Aid
- 52 Participants trained in Education and Child Care First Aid
- 559 Participants trained in Resuscitation

Royal Life Saving NT is proud to support our Regional and Remote locations within the Northern Territory with 45% of all training course being conducted in these areas.

The Annual Trainers workshop serves to ensure quality training and consistent practices are upheld and to ensure legislative requirements are being met and maintained. To ensure course participants receive professional and concise training, trainers are required to attend the annual trainers' workshop to re-accredit their qualifications and validate assessment tools and procedures. The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual workshop was held on the 7<sup>th</sup> September with 90% of trainers in attendance.

In the past year we have continued our development of Vocational Education and Training agendas. Clarifying industry needs, supporting workforce development, whilst keeping a close eye on safety imperatives that are essential components of our role in this area.

The National Vet Committee has continued to work together on the expansion of the Vocational Training Capacity Plan, with significant outcomes being achieved in compliance, best practice and communication, stronger training governance and progressive improvement across all training departments.

**Table 6: Aquatic Services courses and participants**

<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Number of Courses</b>	<b>Number of Participants</b>
<b>Advanced First Aid</b>	0	0
<b>Child Care first Aid</b>	14	52
<b>First Aid</b>	31	278
<b>Resuscitation Awareness</b>	0	0
<b>First aid Online</b>	26	135
<b>Resuscitation</b>	87	559
<b>Resuscitation Reaccreditation</b>	0	0
<b>Accompanied Rescue</b>	0	0
<b>Bronze Star</b>	2	26
<b>Award of Merit</b>	1	5
<b>Bronze Cross</b>	0	0
<b>Bronze Medallion</b>	63	422
<b>Bronze Medallion Reaccreditation</b>	41	252
<b>Pool lifeguard</b>	20	141
<b>Pool Lifeguard Update</b>	30	144
<b>Aquatic Technical Operators</b>	2	22
<b>WorkShop</b>	3	55
<b>Sea Rangers Bronze Rescue Award</b>	0	0
<b>Hydro Therapy Rescue Award</b>	1	5
<b>Swimming Teacher Rescue Award</b>	31	272
<b>AUSTSWIM</b>	17	156
<b>Total</b>	369	2524

Thank you to our dedicated, small team of professional trainers, who provide quality training across the Northern Territory. These individuals contribute to our quality training and RTO compliance. Since 2009 one trainer is recognised each year by the Society for their outstanding commitment to training. The trainer of the year for 2018-2019 is Rebecca Brown. Rebecca was based in Alice Spring as the Central Australian Officer for Royal Life Saving until January 2019. Rebecca delivered training in areas such as Tennant Creek, Jabiru, Santa Teresa, Kintore, Areyonga, Yuendumu and Yulara. Feedback from participants stated Rebecca had trained included her ability to relate with everyone, noting her calm and relaxing manner and her high level of professionalism. Well Done Rebecca.

**Table 7: Trainer of the Year Award for highest standard of excellence in training**

2009 / 2010	Alice McDonald
2010 / 2011	Rebecca Gawne
2011 / 2012	Mark FitzSimons
2012 / 2013	Petina Franklin
2013 / 2014	Rodney Cremona
2014 / 2015	Tom Cannavan
2015 / 2016	Joan Burns
2016 / 2017	Wayne Van Sambeek
2017 / 2018	Stephen Gazzola
2018 / 2019	Rebecca Brown



### **Aquatic Facility Safety Assessments**

Risk management is an essential tool for the successful and continued operation of an aquatic or leisure facility. To this end, Royal Life Saving has introduced the Aquatic Facility Safety Assessment (AFSA), which provides an independent and comprehensive assessment of the operations of an aquatic facility. The AFSA is based on the Guidelines for Safe Pool Operation, Australian Standards and relevant State and Territory legislation. Creating recommendations for the best practice for public safety, management and operation in aquatic facilities.

Royal Life Saving NT has annual meetings with the management of our 26 Public Swimming Pools to ensure our services are directly related to their needs and community safety. Industry feedback, ongoing consultation and active participation from all stakeholders is required to ensure our training is in line with industry needs. The formulation and implementation of risk management processes and workplace health and safety is essential to maintaining an efficient and safe aquatic operation.



### **AUSTSWIM**

The AUSTSWIM accreditation is the industry standard for Swimming and Water Safety Teachers™ and is delivered and recognised in each state and territory of Australia and many countries overseas. Royal Life Saving Society NT (RLSSA – NT) is a sub agency of AUSTSWIM and work closely with aquatic stakeholders, education departments, peak industry organisations and the community to achieve the AUSTSWIM philosophy; that all Australians should have appropriate and relevant swimming and water safety skills and understand the principles and practices of water safety.

In 2018-2019, RLSSA - NT conducted a total of 16 courses and 1 Professional Development session with 156 participants across the Northern Territory. Royal Life Saving NT appreciates the continued support from AUSTSWIM Head Office, AUSTSWIM NSW, AUSTSWIM QLD and other Business Centres.

## 2018-2019 Highlights

- 100 participants in the AUSTSWIM Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety Course
- 38 participants in the AUSTSWIM Teacher of Infants and Pre-schooler Aquatics
- 8 participants in the AUSTSWIM Teacher of Adults
- 10 participants attending AUSTSWIM Professional Development workshop
- 50% of the course were delivered in Regional and Remote locations

## AUSTSWIM State Advisory Committee

The AUSTSWIM NT State Advisory Committee consists of stakeholders and volunteers from across the Northern Territory. This year the committee met on the 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2018, 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019, and 24th June 2019

**Table 8: AUSTSWIM SAC Members**

<b>AUSTSWIM SAC Member</b>	<b>Position</b>
Petina Franklin	Chairperson Central Australia Representative
Annette (Floss) Roberts	Presenter Rep /National Councillor
Jared Wilson	AUSTSWIM
Rebecca Johnson	Department of Education/ ACHPER
Samantha Farrow	SLS NT
Sarah Gleeson	YMCA Resigned 2/6/2019
Elisha Hunt	YMCA Commenced 3/6/2019
Daniel Gerlach	Swim Dynamics Swim School/ Swim School member Access and Inclusion
Stephen Gazzola	Remote Indigenous Teacher Swimming and Water Safety Resigned 30/4/2019
Rebecca Gawne	RLSSA NT Rep Delivery agreement/ Secretary/ Training
John Mitchell	Swimming Northern Territory
Naomi Briggs	Alice Springs Aquatic Leisure Centre Representative

**Table 9: AUSTSWIM NT Course Statistics**

<b>Course Name</b>	<b>No of Courses</b>	<b>No of Participants</b>
<b>Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety</b>	9	100
<b>Teacher of Infants and Pre-school Aquatics</b>	6	38
<b>Teacher of Access and Inclusion</b>	0	0
<b>Teacher of Adults</b>	1	8
<b>Teacher of Towards Competitive Strokes</b>	0	0
<b>AUSTSWIM PD Workshop</b>	1	10
<b>AUSTSWIM WETS Aqua Instructors</b>	0	0
<b>Total delivered by AUSTSWIM NT</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>156</b>

### AUSTSWIM Regional and Remote Project

AUSTSWIM and Royal Life Saving NT partner to provide increased AUSTSWIM services to regional and remote areas of the Northern Territory. This project aims to ensure that courses will be run in regional and remote locations for small numbers and assists participants to save in transport and accommodation costs. These courses can be customised to assist indigenous people to become AUSTSWIM qualified teachers of swimming and water safety. In 2018/2019 the number of rural and remote courses represented 50% of all AUSTSWIM courses conducted in the NT. The support of this funding has assisted in the success of the mentoring program and has reduced the number of courses being cancelled.

### AUSTSWIM Access to Quality and Accredited Swimming and Water Safety Teacher program

Royal Life Saving NT have been committed to the success of the Access to Quality and Accredited Swimming and Water safety teacher program with a strong focus on our Regional and Remote locations. All 5 communities that were highlighted have received a direct benefit from this program. 14 Participants from the 5 communities attended TSW courses and 5 participants from Yulara went on to further their skills and knowledge to become infant teachers. Mentoring and community visits were undertaken for all 5 communities. Yulara Recreation and Aquatic Centre and the Yulara School have both registered with AUSTSWIM for silver membership in the AUSTSWIM recognised swim schools and continue to work with Royal Life Saving NT to ensure their success as swim schools.

### Alice Springs and Central Australia

RLSSA NT saw another exciting year of growth within the Central Australian Region. We have actively sought to reduce drowning through engaging the community in education, programs, sport and training.

Key highlights include:

- **Training:** 91 courses were held with a total of 453 participants
- **WSU:** There were 306 enrolments for the WSAP
- **Education:** 4 Water Safety talks were conducted within the region reaching 68 students. Sessions were delivered at preschools, primary schools and high schools.
- **IAS:** Our 'Swim Survive and Strive' program was delivered to 6 communities within the region reaching 1026 students.
- **Sport:** There are 16 active Pool Lifesaving members in Central Australia.
- **Community Events:** RLSSA NT was involved in 18 community events within Central Australia reaching 3385 people within the red centre.

**Table 10: Alice Springs WSAP Enrolments**

% of Total Vouchers Issued	% of Total Vouchers Issued	% of Total Vouchers Issued
<b>2005/2006</b>	102	16%
<b>2006/2007</b>	58	9%
<b>2007/2008</b>	107	13%
<b>2008/2009</b>	190	17%
<b>2009/2010</b>	72	7%

<b>2010/2011</b>	177	16%
<b>Full time position based in Alice Springs 1/7/11</b>		
<b>2011/2012</b>	325	27%
<b>2012/2013</b>	235	19%
<b>2013/2014</b>	108	-46%
<b>2014/2015</b>	357	30%
<b>2015/2016</b>	182	7%
<b>2016/2017</b>	303	12%
<b>2017/2018</b>	301	7%
<b>2018/2019</b>	306	6.4%

**Table 11: Alice Springs Training Statistics**

<b>2007/2008</b>	<b>22 courses - Total 112 Participants</b>
<b>2008/2009</b>	16 Courses, Total 92 Participants
<b>2009/2010</b>	26 courses, Total 171 Participants
<b>2010/2011</b>	19 courses, Total 111 Participants
<b>Full time position based in Alice Springs 1/7/11</b>	
<b>2011/2012</b>	70 Courses, Total 278 Participants
<b>2012/2013</b>	74 courses, Total 401 participants
<b>2013/2014</b>	70 courses, Total 391 participants
<b>2014/2015</b>	71 Courses, Total 319 Participants
<b>2015/2016</b>	69 courses, Total 364 participants
<b>2016/2017</b>	50 courses, Total 243 participants
<b>2017/2018</b>	65 courses 324 participants
<b>2018/2019</b>	91 courses 453 participants

**Table 12: Participation in Pool Lifesaving**

<b>2007/2008</b>	<b>23 participants</b>
<b>2008/2009</b>	25 participants
<b>2009/2010</b>	18 participants
<b>2010/2011</b>	7 participants
<b>Full time position based in Alice Springs 1/7/11</b>	
<b>2011/2012</b>	23 participants
<b>2012/2013</b>	35 participants
<b>2013/2014</b>	24 participants
<b>2014/2015</b>	51 Participants
<b>2015/2016</b>	52 participants
<b>2016/2017</b>	15 participants
<b>2017/2018</b>	39 participants
<b>2018/2019</b>	16 participants

## Swim and Survive

Swim and Survive is a comprehensive swimming and water safety initiative of Royal Life Saving that increases the swimming and water safety skills of Territorian children. It aims to prevent drowning and increase participation in safe aquatic activity. Through teaching essential components of personal survival, basic water rescue and water safety, in addition to a process of developing strong and effective swimming technique. Allowing children from 6 months to 14 years to progress through three, age specific award levels: Wonder, Courage and Active.

This year 13,233 children from urban, regional and remote Northern Territory participated in the Swim and Survive Program, a 3.7% decrease from the previous year. The community has the opportunity to access to the program through our School Swim and Survive Program, Swim and Survive Partners, the Swim, Survive & Strive Program in remote communities or our Sunday Lifesaving and VacsWim programs. We continue to work with stakeholders to increase the number of students to meet the National Benchmark of a Swim and Survive. This year 1123 children reached an Active Award Level 4 or above, representing 8.5% of all participants. A 3% increase from the previous year.

School communities, the Northern Territory Department of Education and our Swim and Survive Partners continue to play a fundamental role in the continued success of the Swim and Survive Program. 85 Government and Non-Government schools acknowledge the important life skills that the Swim and Survive program provides by having the program as part of their school curriculum. 5 more schools than the previous year. Below is a table outlining participation by location:

**Table 13: Number of Children participating in the Swim and Survive Program**

Area	No. of Children 2016-17	No. of Children 2017-18	No. of Children 2018-19
DARWIN	4250	5260	6730
PALMERSTON	1952	1943	1592
ALICE SPRINGS	2614	3990	2296
KATHERINE	918	455	101
REMOTE	2562	2090	2514
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12,296</b>	<b>13,738</b>	<b>13,233</b>

## Department of Education Certificate Funding

The Northern Territory Government, Department of Education continues to support Royal Life Saving NT and Government school students with its certificate funding.

This year 7217 Government school students from 65 schools received certificates including 1639 Remote students.

This year also saw 373 students achieving a Swim and Survive Active Level 4 or above. This represents 5.17% of attending Government school students.



## Swim and Survive Partner

Royal Life Saving NT are supported by the 15 Swim and Survive Partners and schools that are recognised as a preferred deliverer of the Swim and Survive Program. Some of these include Marianne's Swim School, Goldfishbowl Swim School in Palmerston, Swim Dynamics in Darwin and Alice Springs Aquatic and Leisure Centre. Government and independent schools in Darwin, Alice Springs and Katherine also deliver the program to their students as a part of their school program.

This year saw 2355 children participate in the Swim and Survive program through the 15 Swim and Survive Partners. This represents 18% of all participants. We continue to work with our Swim and Survive Partners to assist them in providing the best quality program to their students.

**Table 14 Swim and Survive Partners**

Royal Life Saving Society N.T Branch
Goldfishbowl Swim School – Palmerston
Swim Dynamics Swim School - Darwin
NT Swim School - Darwin
Alice Springs Aquatic and Leisure Centre
YMCA – Katherine
Rana's Swim School
Yulara Recreation Centre
Jabiru Swim School
Henbury School Outreach Program

## Swim and Survive Partner – Schools

Henbury School
Larapinta Primary
Ross Park Primary
Sadadeen Primary
Gillen Primary

## COMMUNITY: Sunday Life & VACSWIM Programs

Royal Life Saving NT is committed to providing access to swimming and lifesaving to all community members through the Sunday Life Saving Program and VACSWIM programs at Parap, Nightcliff and Casuarina Swimming Pools.

Our Sunday Life Saving Program allows children from 5 years – 15 years to participate in the Active Awards of the Swim and Survive program, along with the Rescue and Bronze Awards, as skills increase. This year 105 children participated in this program.

The VACSWIM intensive Swim and Survive program is held each year in the October and January school holidays. This year the program undertook a massive makeover. The VACSWIM program with a difference included daily swimming and water safety lessons, basic First Aid training, Resuscitation Awareness training, amazing race challenges and a Pool Lifesaving Sport Carnival to allow the students to show off their new skills. A total of 29 students participated in the VACSWIM intensive Swim and Survive Program.



Sunday Lifesaving Nightcliff Pool October 2018



VASWIM Bootcamp January 2019

## Our Swim Teachers

Royal Life Saving NT are fortunate to have a dedicated team of AUSTSWIM qualified swim teachers who are passionate and enthusiastic about water safety. These staff members are the cornerstone of Royal Life Saving NT and we acknowledge their commitment to water safety and swimming in the Northern Territory.



RLSSA NT Swim & Survive Teachers PD 15.3.19

### **Royal Life Saving NT Swim and Survive Swim Teacher of the Year**

Congratulations to Laura Withers who has been recognised for her commitment to water safety and being an outstanding AUSTSWIM teacher of Swimming and Water Safety. Laura has actively mentored over 20 new swim teachers this year and continues to raise the bar to ensure children receive quality instruction.



## Swim and Survive Fund

The Swim and Survive Fund provides swimming and water safety courses for children experiencing social or economic disadvantage. These are often children who have had limited or no exposure to the water and vital water safety education.



The Swim and Survive Fund allowed us to conduct a program within the remote community of Nauiyu Nambiyu. Which sits on the banks of the beautiful Daly River, known by the local people as the Green River. The project was named the Swim, Save & Survive project and aimed to reengage with the community to reopen the pool which had been closed for five years due to flooding. The Swim, Save & Survive project targeted families and school students through after school activities, pool lifesaving and family fun at their pool. We wanted to create a sustainable plan for the pool to be run by the community for the community.

Over a 10 week period a team travelled the 5 hour round trip and stayed in community either 1 or 2 nights. During each trip the team delivered the Swim & Survive Program to 83 students from two schools within the region. Opened the pool for lifesaving after school and opened for lap swimming in both the morning and afternoons.

Two active family fun days were held with a total of 194 community members attending or participating in Pool Lifesaving races. Two weeks of training were completed, first in December to get people qualified to safely re-open the pool to the public and at the completion of the program, aiming to increase the pool of qualified people in community. The community was grateful for our work across all of the delivery. Both local schools (Woolianna and St Francis Xavier) participated in a swimming a water safety program over an extended period which had not been done for the previous 5 years. The community gained ongoing access to the pool and its safety instead of swimming in the croc infested Daly River.

Our next step will be to be a part of the next community meeting. Bringing up the question: How do you want your pool to run? Then we can call to action the ongoing management of the pool and what this is going to look like.



Naiyu Mums and Babies 22.2.19



After School Swimming 8.2.19



Pool Lifesaving Carnival 10.4.19



The Swim & Survive Fund also allowed the delivery of vital swimming and lifesaving skills to Sanderson Middle School students aged between 12 and 15 from migrant backgrounds. These students, from Vietnam, Korea, Taiwan & Malaysia, participated in the Swim and Survive Program over a two week program. The students not only learnt vital skills in how to swim in the water, but how to survive, rescue a family or friend and how to resuscitation to possibly help save someone's life.

These new Australians have not had the opportunity in the past to participate in swimming and water safety lessons or a resuscitation course due to their cultural and financial backgrounds. The program delivered CPR awareness and basic water safety knowledge to 48 migrant students in the classroom while 47 students completed the Swim & Survive Program at Nightcliff Swimming Pool.

It was identified by teaching staff that filling out the enrolment form has allowed his students to gain a 'real life' experience and that interacting with the swimming teachers has made them practice their speaking and listening skills as they communicate with their teacher. This program not only encompassed CPR and swimming abilities but is an overall life experience that is invaluable to their learning but overall they had fun!



Sanderson students, April 2019

## Pool Lifesaving Sport 2018/2019

### Australian Pool Lifesaving Championships 2019

The Australian Pool Lifesaving Championships 2019 (APLSC 2019) were held at Pymble Ladies College Aquatic Centre in Sydney, from 11<sup>th</sup> January to the 13<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

The facility at the college was wonderful with the championships being held in the indoor 50m competition pool.

For some of our Northern Territory (NT) athletes, this was a first time experience at such an event. There were 200 athletes competing from across Australia. The Northern Territory was able to register 2 full age group teams into the championships.

### Representing Northern Territory

Our NT team consisted of 13 athletes in total. 8 from Darwin, 4 from Alice Springs and 1 draft from South Australia:

Under 14's

- Bridget Jackson (Darwin) 2<sup>nd</sup> time.
- Dominic Sloane (Darwin) 1<sup>st</sup> time.

Under 16's

- Kaitlyn Peters (Alice Springs) 3<sup>rd</sup> time.
- Amy Stockwell (Alice Springs) 3<sup>rd</sup> time.
- Dominic Williams (Alice Springs) 1<sup>st</sup> time.
- Chloe Sein (Darwin) 2<sup>nd</sup> time.
- Chloe Morton (Darwin) 1<sup>st</sup> time.

Under 19's

- Bella Tinning (Darwin) 1<sup>st</sup> time.
- Lance Hutt (Darwin) 1<sup>st</sup> time.
- Joshua Lowing Burroughs (Darwin) 1<sup>st</sup> time.
- Reya Williams (Adelaide Draft) 2<sup>nd</sup> time.

Women's Open

- Tia Brain (Darwin) 1<sup>st</sup> time.

Women's Masters

- Di Crisp (Alice Springs) 1<sup>st</sup> time.



APLSC Championships January 2019

Alister Lear travelled as Team Coach, Laura Withers as Team Manager, Floss Roberts and Jill Dowd as Event Officials as well as NT Royal Life Saving's President, Penny Hart.

The team arrived in Sydney on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> January. A training session was held at the Aquatic Centre on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> January.

### Results

Each NT athlete did an amazing job competing and we had some great results in placing on the podium in competition events. Beginning with our Under 16's Women's competitor - Amy Stockwell who placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the CPR special event. Amy also placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Women's U16's 12.5m Line Throw event. For our U19's team, competitor - Reya Williams, placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the CPR special event.

Our Master's competitor, Dianne Crisp took the Championship award for the category - Women's Over 60 Individual Overall Championship. Dianne's performance throughout the championships was outstanding, she also placed three times with her nominated events:

1<sup>st</sup> Place – 100m Obstacles

1<sup>st</sup> Place – 12.5m Line Throw

1<sup>st</sup> Place – 100m Manikin Tow

The Championships also had a photo/social media competition running during the Championships. Northern Territory took out 1<sup>st</sup> place for the entered photo.



APLSC NT Team January 2019

### **Future**

We will continue to develop our junior Pool Lifesaving squads in both Darwin and Alice Springs, with plans for a new development squad to be formed in Katherine. This is done through a link between our Swim & Survive program and through promotion of the sport. Our Junior Development program is important to maintain to ensure the future of Pool Lifesaving as a sport. This was the 52<sup>nd</sup> Championship here in Australia and here in the NT we wish to continue the tradition of representing our state.

In 2020 we hope to send a full squad to the APLSC 2020 in Perth. Fundraising efforts for the APLSC 2019 were strong and we hope to continue through-out this year to help make this possible.

### **Sport Participation Pool Lifesaving**

Participation on pool deck in Darwin has increased and in Alice Springs. We will continue to develop our Junior Pool Lifesaving squads in both Darwin and Alice Springs. Our Junior Development program is important to maintain to ensure the future of Pool Lifesaving as a sport. Our volunteer coaches are the life-line to our sport and we would like to say a massive Thank you to the consistent efforts of Alister Lear, Laura Withers, Di Crisp and Elena Pecorari.



## Pool Lifesaving in Sport and Recreation

The NT Government fund Royal Life Saving NT as a Peak Sport Provider to grow the sport of Pool Life Saving in the Northern Territory, develop athlete and official pathways and provide community engagement activities and events.

Active Family Fun days were held in Darwin and Alice Springs with 379 participants. Pool Life Saving carnivals were conducted in Darwin, Katherine, Tennant Creek and Alcie Springs with 318 participants. Regional development programs were conducted in Daly River, Batchelor and Maningrida. The athlete development pathways assists opportunities from grass roots to National competitions and is valued by all Members.

Pool Lifesaving Darwin NT participants 10.4.19

### Daly River PLS Carnvial

April 2019

The Swim, Survive, Strive program was ran out of Daly River during April 2019. 2 Pool Lifesaving Carnivals were conducted, with 102 students who participated in the program. The children of the community really enjoyed the competitive nature of the Pool Lifesaving Carnival and some natural talent was exposed through the carnival.



Maningrida Pool Lifesaving Carnival 12.4.19



Naiyu Pool Lifesaving Carnival 10.4.19

## Education and Programs

Our goal is to increase participation and awareness in water safety education, training and sport in urban, regional and remote communities—Delivered through the Swim and Survive program, Infant Aquatics, People with Disabilities, Adults and the Partnership Program.

Not every Territorian has the same needs; so within our programs, we look to offer specific programs that are designed to meet the needs of Territorians of all ages and abilities.

## Infant Aquatics – Little Royals Swim School

### Little Royals Swim School - Darwin 2018/2019

Love of the water in a safe environment for the youngest members of our Community is at the centre of the Little Royals Swim School. Two six week programs were held in 2018/2019. Both the programs were conducted at Nightcliff Pool. The programs were very popular with mums, dads, grandparents, carers and of course the infants themselves.

86 children participated in the two programs, this is a 20% increase on the previous year.

A special acknowledgement must be paid to the wonderful AUSTSWIM Infant qualified swim teachers who make these Programs such an enjoyable experience for all involved. This year our swim teachers were Jill Rathbone, Aimee Lobban and Gabby Sutton.



LRSS Nightcliff March 2019



LRSS Swim Teachers, Nightcliff March 2019

### Little Royals Swim School Katherine 2018/2019

Little Royals Swim School Katherine held two six week programs and one five day intensive program during 2018/2019. These programs was extremely popular with the families of Katherine. The programs were conducted at the Ibis Styles motel pool and the Katherine Town pool.

211 children participated in the three programs. The children's ages ranged from 6 months to 10 years.

A special acknowledgement must be made to our amazing AUSTSWIM Infant qualified swim teacher, Stephanie East, who made the program such an enjoyable experience for all children and families involved.



LRSS Katherine, Ibis Pool March 2019



LRSS Katherine Pool March 2019

### Little Royals Swim School Batchelor 2018/2019

Little Royals Swim School Batchelor ran a 6 week swimming program in Term 1 2019. The program was held at the Batchelor Town Pool, every Thursday beginning in February. The program was popular and a great success. We had many returning students from last year's program travelling from Adelaide River and many new faces participated in the program.

30 children participated in the February - March 2019 program. We look forward to our next program in Batchelor!

A special acknowledgement must be given to the Batchelor Council for their support and promotion of the program. Thank you to Laura Withers and Tiarne Vella Hunt, our AUSTSWIM Infant Instructors who travelled from Darwin each week to deliver the fun program.



LRSS Batchelor Pool March 2019



LRSS Batchelor Pool March 2019

## Programs for People with Disabilities: Access and Inclusion

Royal Life Saving NT has continued to support Total Recreation with their Sports in Schools program. This program gives students with a disability, in mainstream schools, the opportunity to participate in a tailor made swimming program. The success of the program is a real team effort with the support of Swim Dynamics Swim School giving students a pathway to club and representative swimming. Historically the program is conducted over two – five week blocks although this year, due to funding challenges only one program was held in semester one. Which saw 71 participants. The program culminates with a modified swimming carnival that also includes students from other schools. This year's carnival had 85 students participants competing and having fun with their peers.



## Adults

Royal Life Saving - NT continue to engage with our adult population through targeted programs in Darwin and Alice Springs. The City of Darwin, Healthy Darwin – ActiveLife@TheTop Program continues to be popular for all adults. This year we had 89 adults participate during the two, 6 week programs held in November/December and April/May. Thanks to the City of Darwin and the staff at Casuarina Swimming Pool for your continued support of these valued programs.

Our Pool Lifesaving Clubs in Darwin and Alice Springs give adults the opportunity to improve on their swimming skills, water safety skills and learn pool lifesaving in a fun and relaxed environment. These programs are conducted at Casuarina Pool and the Alice Springs Aquatic and Leisure Centre in conjunction with our junior program. The ongoing success of this programs can be contributed to our dedicated volunteers who continue to support the sport of pool lifesaving.



Adult Learn to Swim Casuarina Pool,  
November 2018

## Cool Seniors & Grey Medallion

Senior Territorians have access to a variety of different activities during August's - Seniors Month. Royal Life Saving NT engage Senior Territorians through aquatic programs to increase water awareness, fitness and social skills.

The Cool Seniors program, allows Senior Territorians access to swimming, aquatic exercise and games. Aiming to increase fitness and water confidence. The program continues to be popular with a total of 73 participants over the 5 weeks of the program.

*“Polite, professional, health orientated, truly outstanding, very knowledgeable, inclusive and incorporating fun activities. A big thank you for the opportunity to stay fit, mobile and energetic”*

“NEVER TOO YOUNG TO LEARN, NEVER TOO OLD TO START”

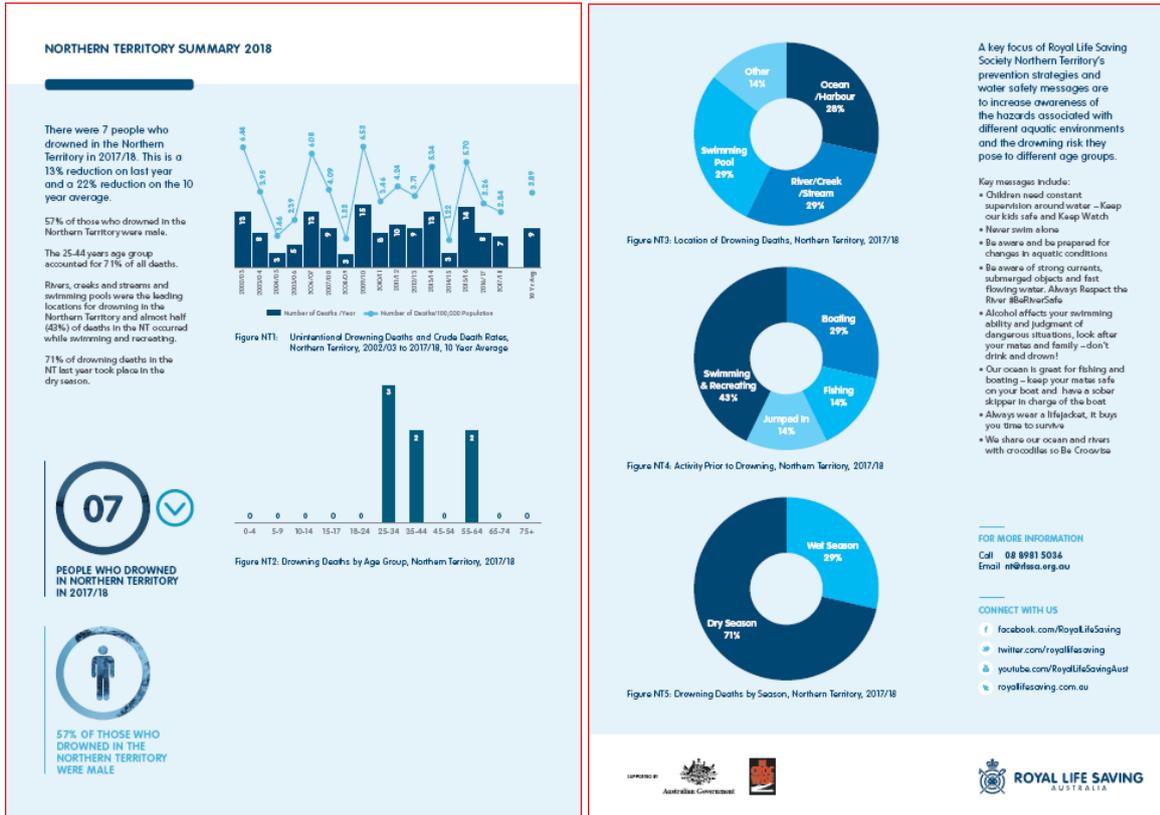


Cool Seniors August 2018

## Our Water

### Drowning Report

The Northern Territory Drowning Report was released on the 12<sup>th</sup> September 2018. Sadly the NT maintains the highest drowning rate per capita in Australia with 7 drowning deaths recorded in this period.



## Northern Territory Government Water Safety Unit

### Northern Territory Water Safety Advisory Council 2018-2019

The Council has met on four occasions throughout the year, discussing improving community awareness of water safety and working collaboratively to develop solutions to emerging and ongoing issues. The council is chaired by Daphne Read AO.

Meetings were held on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018, 4<sup>th</sup> December 2018, 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019 and 4<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

#### **Vision**

A safe and healthy lifestyle in, on and around water.

#### **Aspirational Goal**

Towards a nation free from drowning.

#### **Stakeholders of the NT Water Safety Advisory Council**

Member organisations are appointed to the Council as a Ministerial Appointment and are governed by specific Terms of Reference.

#### **The Role of the NTWSAC is**

- to provide advice to the Minister for Tourism and Culture on water safety related matters;
- to identify gaps in existing provisions of water safety initiatives in relation to the services necessary for the prevention of drowning and near drowning in the Northern Territory;
- to proactively develop and recommend solutions to emerging and ongoing issues; and
- to develop and implement a Northern Territory Water Safety Strategy that focuses on Water Safety Education, Research and Data Collection and Standards.

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Abbreviation</b>
Amateur Fisherman's Association of the NT	AFANT
Australian Volunteer Coast Guard	AVCG
Department of Education	DOE
Department of Health	DOH
Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics – Pool Fencing Unit	DIPL
Department of Tourism and Culture – Sport & Active Recreation	DTC
Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics – Marine Safety	DIPL
Kidsafe NT	KSNT
Local Government Association of the NT	LGANT

Local Government Association of the NT – Remote appointment	LGANT
Northern Territory Water Police	NTPFES
Department of Tourism and Culture – Parks & Wildlife	DTC
Royal Life Saving Society NT Branch	RLSSANT
Somerville Community Service	SCS
Surf Life Saving NT	SLSNT
Tourism NT	TNT
Water Safety Unit	WSU



NTWSAC Members 4.6.19

### **Water Safety Awareness Program:**

#### **What is the Water Safety Awareness Program?**

The Water Safety Awareness Program consists of five free water safety classes for the parents and guardians of children aged less than five years old who reside in the Northern Territory. The Program is funded through the NT Government’s Department of Tourism and Culture - Sport and Active Recreation and is implemented by Royal Life Saving Society (Australia) NT Branch Inc. The first session, Emergency Care, is designed to give families a basic awareness of the specific risk factors in and around water for children and some basic instruction in resuscitation skills. Families must attend the first session before they can access the rest of the Program. The four in-water classes are then delivered by AUSTSWIM accredited Teachers of Infants and Preschool Aquatics to ensure the highest quality and standard of instruction. Each year, over 2000 children enrol in the Program.

### **Why was the Water Safety Awareness Program started?**

The Water Safety Awareness Program was introduced in the Northern Territory at a time when it had a drowning rate of three times the national average. In the nine years prior to the Program's commencement 35 children aged less than five drowned in the Northern Territory. Children were drowning in backyard swimming pools, wading pools, lakes, storm water drains and other natural bodies of water. Tragically, one child even drowned in the rainwater left at the bottom of a dinghy.

### **What has the Water Safety Awareness Program Achieved?**

The Water Safety Awareness Program has been highly successful at achieving its core goal of reducing the number of children under five who have drowned in the Northern Territory. Up until 30 June 2019, 24,042 children have enrolled in the Program; and of those children, 80% have completed all five sessions of the Program. The Program is very popular with Northern Territory families. As part of the continuous improvement evaluations, the feedback from families for this Government initiative has been consistently positive, with the Program seen to be a practical and appropriate solution to a real concern for families.

### **The Year that was for The Water Safety Awareness Program**

A total of 2222 Enrolments for July 2018 – June 2019 were received with an 80% voucher usage since beginning of Program.

The NT Government Learn to Swim Voucher continues to be an excellent complement to the Water Safety Awareness Program. The Water Safety Awareness Program provides parents and carers with the initial valuable water safety education. Territory families can then access swimming lessons whereas previously they may not have been able to afford them using the Learn to Swim Voucher.



LRSS Nightcliff March 2019

### Remote Access



Swim and Survive Pirlangimpi Pool 17.9.19

The Water Safety Program is accessible to all Northern Territorians and every registration receives up to date information on “what to do in an emergency” and helpful information on “keeping watch” around the water. The program delivers high quality water sessions which are delivered by AUSTSWIM Teachers of Infant and Preschool Aquatics. This year the program was delivered in Pirlangimpi, Ngukurr, Daly River, Elliott and Angurugu.

### Current providers of the “water sessions” across the Northern Territory

All Providers undergo a venue safety checklist, hold current qualifications, working with children clearances and have a clear understanding of the deliverables for each session as per the guidelines agreed upon. During 2018-2019 thirteen swim schools across the Northern Territory provided the Water Safety Awareness Program.

<b>SESSION PROVIDERS 2018 – 2019</b>
Alice Springs Aquatic & Leisure Centre – Alice Springs
Baby Barra’s Swim School – Howard Springs
Goldfishbowl Swim School - Palmerston
Kicks and Paddles - Palmerston
Little Royals Swim School – Darwin, Katherine & Batchelor
Marianne’s Swimming School – Darwin
NT Swim School – Darwin
Royal Life Saving – Remote Delivery
Six Sparrows Swim School - Darwin
Splish Splash Mobile Swim School - Darwin
Swim Dynamics – Nightcliff Pool
Travelling Tadpole Swim School - Nhulunbuy
YMCA of the NT

The annual Provider’s Workshop was held in Darwin on the 5<sup>th</sup> September at the Michael Long Learning & Leadership Centre. Five Providers of the Water Safety Awareness Program came together to share ideas, discuss water safety messages and discuss the ongoing success and benefits of the Program. Two guest speakers were in attendance to share their

knowledge with the Providers and their Staff. Many thanks to Laurie Lawrence and the Child and Family Health Nurse Team for providing such informative presentations.



WSAP Provider Workshop with Laurie Lawrence 5.9.18



WSAP Provider Workshop Guest Speaker 5.9.18

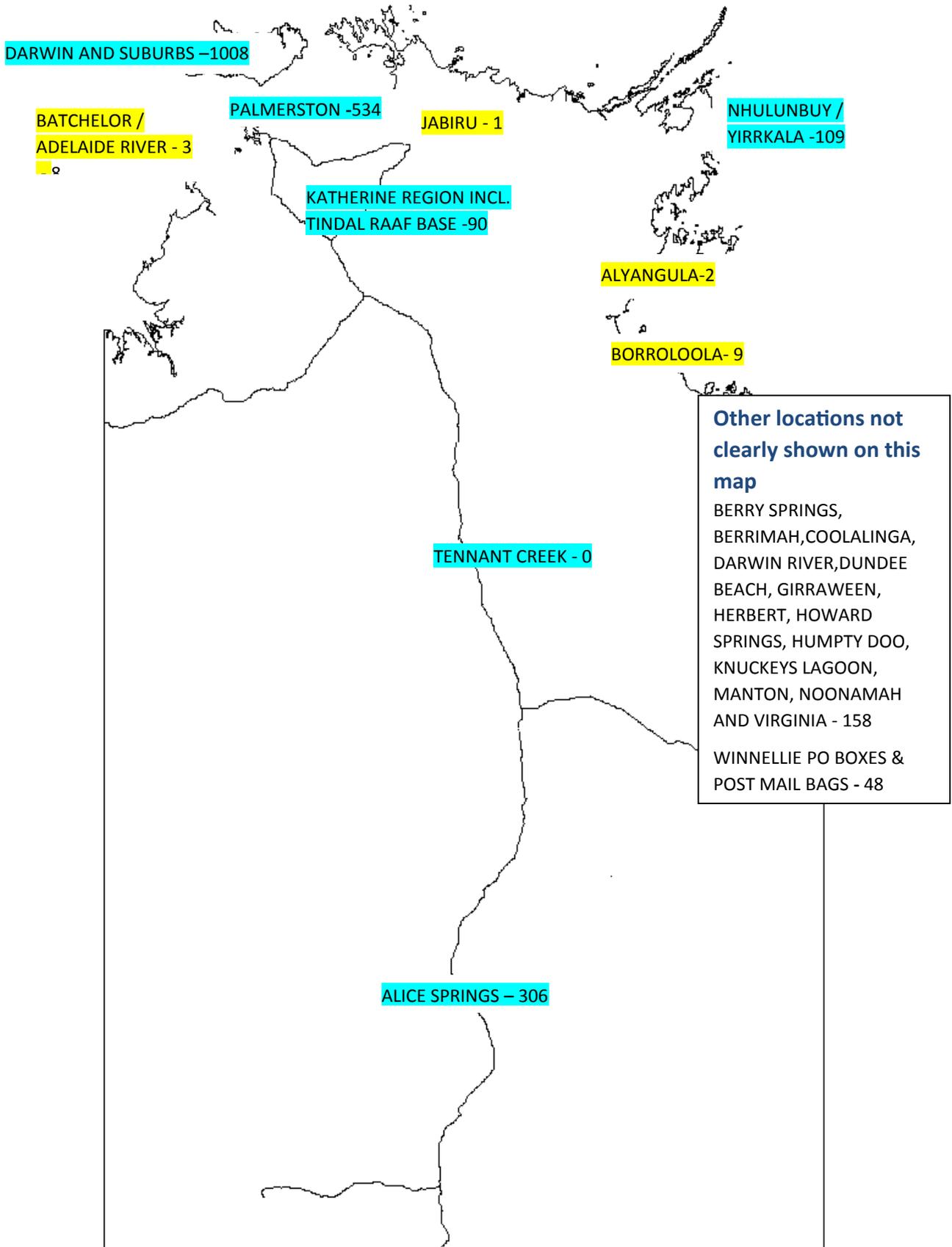
### Provider of the Year

The Water Safety Awareness Program Provider of the Year 2018/2019 is Marianne's Swimming School. Marianne has been delivering swimming lessons to Territory children for more than 20 years and has been a passionate supporter of the Water Safety Awareness Program since its inception. Congratulations Marianne!



Marianne Yuen and Her Honour Vicki O'Halloran Government House 28.2.19

**Water Safety Awareness Program: Total 24,042 children registered**  
**A partnership between the NT Government and Royal Life Saving Society (Australia) NT Branch**



## Water Safety Week 2018

Water Safety Week 2018 was conducted from 23<sup>rd</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> September, featuring a varied program of events and activities throughout the Northern Territory (NT). The slogan for Water Safety Week 2018 was *Water Safety, what's your story?* This year the focus was on water safety whilst recreating. The event was promoted through print, radio, television and social media. In addition to this, promotion was also undertaken by Northern Territory Water Safety Advisory Council member networks.

'Splashfest' was the main event conducted during WSW18 and took place from 9:00am – 1:00pm on Sunday 23 September at the Darwin Waterfront Precinct. 'Splashfest' was the opening event this year. Approximately 3500 people attended. Minister Natasha Fyles attended Splashfest and enjoyed the stalls and information on display. The Minister also conducted an interview with Greg and Ali from Mix 104.9 as she opened WSW18.

There were 13 events and activities on the official 2018 Water Safety week calendar. These were conducted in Alice Springs, Darwin, Palmerston, and Katherine. Some of the highlights of the free events were:

- Family Fun evening at Casuarina Pool
- Story readings with Boof the Barra at City of Darwin & City of Palmerston Libraries, Katherine Library and Alice Springs Library
- Splashfest at the Darwin Waterfront
- Aquafest family fun day at Palmerston Pool

An estimated 10,000 Territorians received water safety messages throughout Water Safety Week in 2018.



Splashfest Darwin Waterfront September 2018



## Pipes and Drains Campaign 2018-2019

The Pipes and Drains campaign was launched on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2018. The same campaign was used as the previous year as the new “shock” campaign had proven to be successful. The television and radio campaign was managed by NT Government with Royal Life Saving NT, the City of Darwin and the City of Palmerston contributing to the campaign in the community. Snapback hats, pens & slap bands containing USBs, formed the collateral for the campaign. All schools in the Darwin and Palmerston region were contacted regarding the campaign and free Pipes and Drains talks were offered to their students. 5 schools participated in the education sessions which reached 1217 students. In addition to this, 5 community events were attended which directly targeted the Pipes & Drains message with an estimated reach of 30850 members of the community. 4 banners were displayed across 4 locations throughout the campaign. Messages conveyed to members of the community and students during the campaign included

- During the Wet, water conditions can change quickly
- You can find yourself in a life threatening situation in seconds
- Water can be dangerous
- No one can hear you scream when you drown
- Play it safe around water this Wet



Pipes and Drains Merchandise 2018



Splashfest – Darwin Waterfront September 2018

### Water Safety Talks in Schools 2018-2019

During 2017-2018, 30 schools were visited by the Water Safety Unit to deliver water safety talks to 3,266 students across the Northern Territory.

The water safety talks covered topics including Supervision, Safe swimming areas, Marine creatures, Safety signs, Pipes and Drains and boating safety. The format of the delivery of the talks was tailored to meet the different school's needs. Some talks were delivered in an assembly forum whilst others were delivered in a classroom format. All talks were well received by Staff and Students at the school's visited and they provided a great opportunity for students to interact with the Water Safety Unit Team around water safety.

The talks provided students with the opportunity to share their personal experiences, try on and use boating safety equipment, observe marine creatures close up and watch You Tube clips around Pipes and Drains safety messages. The diversity of the delivery ensured all students were able to receive a benefit from the water safety messages.



Boof at Leanyer Pre-School 31.8.18

### Keep Watch

Keep Watch is a public education program of Royal Life Saving Society - Australia, aimed at preventing drowning deaths of children under 5 years of age in all aquatic locations. The Keep Watch program has 4 key actions which parents and carers are encouraged to undertake to prevent their child from drowning. These actions are not to be used in isolation and should form part of a web of prevention measures. Therefore if one line of defence fails there are more prevention



measures working together to prevent their child from drowning.

These actions are:

- Supervise
- Restrict Access
- Water Awareness
- Resuscitate

Keep Watch Ambassadors agree to act as a community contact point and distribution centre for information on preventing toddler drowning. Thank you to our NT Ambassadors for their commitment to drowning prevention strategies for parents and carers of young children.

### NT Keep Watch Ambassadors

Mr Chansey Paech MLA, Member for Namatjira

Mr Terry Mills MLA, Member for Blain

Mr Tony Sievers MLA, Member for Brennan

Mr Paul Kirby MLA, Member for Port Darwin

Hon. Eva Lawler MLA, Member for Drysdale

Hon. Natasha Fyles MLA, Member for Nightcliff

Hon. Michael Gunner MLA, Chief Minister

Mr Luke Gosling MP, Federal Member for Solomon

Hon Gary Higgins MLA, Leader of the Opposition

Mr Lawrence Costa MLA, Member for Arafura

Mrs Robyn Lambley MLA, Member for Araluen

Ms Ngaree Ah Kit MLA, Member for Karama

Ms Selena Uiibo MLA, Member for Arnhem

Hon. Gerald McCarthy MLA, Member for Barkly

Hon. Nicole Manison MLA, Member for Wanguri

Hon. Lauren Moss MLA, Member for Casuarina

Ms Malarndirri McCarthy, Senator for the NT

Mr Scott McConnell MLA, Member for Stuart

Hon. Kezia Purick MLA, Member for Goyder

Hon. Nigel Scullion MP, Senator for the NT

Hon. Warren Snowdon MP, Federal MP for Lingiari

Ms Kate Worden MLA, Member for Sanderson

Mr Jeff Collins MLA, Member for Fong Lim

Hon. Ken Vowles MLA, Member for Johnston

Mr Yingiya (Mark) Guyula MLA, Member for Nhulunbuy

Ms Sandra Nelson MLA, Member for Katherine

Mr Gerry Wood MLA, Member for Nelson

Ms Lia Finocchiaro MLA, Member for Spillett

Hon. Dale Wakefield MLA, Member for Braitling



Family at Leanyer Recreational Park July 2018

## Grants

Royal Life Saving NT could not provide services to our community without the commitment to water safety and support of the Federal Government, Northern Territory Government and Corporations. This year, our grants included:

Name	Funded
<b>IAS Prime Minister &amp; Cabinet</b>	Funding for the Indigenous Advancement Strategy Program – “Remote Swim, Survive and Strive”, teaching children in remote communities water safety and swimming skills and providing training and employment opportunities for local people in community
<b>NT Department Tourism &amp; Culture – Sport &amp; Recreation</b>	Management of the Water Safety Unit including the Water Safety Awareness Program
<b>NT Department Tourism &amp; Culture – Sport &amp; Recreation</b>	Support for providing opportunities for Territorians to participate in sport and active recreation.
<b>NT Department of Education</b>	Certificates recognising the achievements of children in the Swim and Survive program
<b>RLSSA – National</b>	Inland Waterways – River Safety Project Swim & Survive for children who miss out Swim & Survive Fund
<b>AUSTSWIM</b>	Sub agency Grant and Support to provide AUSTSWIM in regional and remote communities
<b>Office Senior Territorians</b>	Cool Seniors
<b>CBF Grants</b>	Minor Grant for Boof Barra make-overs Major grant for Aquatic Education & Learning Centre improvements
<b>Barkly Regional Council</b>	Swimming and Lifesaving Pool Equipment Community event at pool

### Community Benefit Fund Grant – Minor

This year we were successful in receiving money from the Community Benefit Fund Minor Grant to upgrade the Boof the Barra costumes. Boof is a great way of sharing water safety messages to Territorians of all ages and was in need of an upgrade. Two costumes and accessories were able to be purchased thanks to this funding. One costume will be kept in Darwin and the other in Alice Springs. Look out for new Boof the Barra coming to a community event or school near you!

### **Community Benefit Fund Grant – Major**

This year we were successful in a CBF Major grant to make improvements to our Headquarters and create an Aquatic Education and Learning Centre in the downstairs and outdoor areas of our building. The grant will be expensed over 18.19 and 19.20 financial years. Prepare for the grand opening.

### **Indigenous Advancement Strategy – “Remote Swim, Survive and Strive”**

Royal Life Saving Society Northern Territory received annual funding to continue to expand on its goals for indigenous communities through the Remote Swim, Survive & Strive Project. On behalf of Royal Life Saving Society Northern Territory and the communities who benefit, we thank the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet for the opportunity to continue assisting these indigenous communities.

The Remote Swim, Survive & Strive Project delivers the Swim & Survive program, Indigenous employment, AUSTSWIM Mentoring program, lifesaving education and recreational sporting programs, Indigenous aquatic training, VET in schools and the establishment of learn to swim business models in remote communities. It extends to 26 remote Indigenous communities, utilising 21 locations.

#### **Key facts at a glance**

- 3830 people participate in the Remote Swim, Survive & Strive Project, 693 more than the previous year
- 30 remote schools accessed the program, 5 more than the previous year
- Teams visited 21 remote communities
- 33 indigenous people gained employment as a direct result of the project, 1 more than the previous year
- 2069 students participated in Swim and Survive, 42 more than the previous year
- 2 students achieved a Bronze Star through Swim and Survive Program from Areyonga – the highest award given this year
- 155 students achieved the national swimming and water safety benchmark of a level four and above, 30 more than the previous year
- 283 people were trained and are now qualified in a range of qualifications such as Bronze Medallion, CPR, Pool Lifeguard, Indigenous AUSTSWIM Teacher of Swimming & Water Safety Award and First Aid through the project
- 53 indigenous Rangers from Peppimenarti, Maningrida, Galiwinku and Milingimbi have participated in the Swim, Survive & Strive Project, 36 more than the previous year.

Remote Swim, Survive & Strive Project allows students who live in remote locations, who do not have access to qualified swimming instructors, the opportunity to learn about being safe in, on and around the aquatic environment. Most visits are conducted during the school terms and in many situations the whole school will be taught each day, this may include up to 150 students. Teaching the children every day, for up to 10 days allows skills to be reinforced and built upon. This also incorporates dry, in class, sessions for schools and their students who, this year, are unable to access a safe water environment.

The project also identifies local indigenous people to participate in the indigenous AUSTSWIM mentoring program. This training allows local members of the community to become AUSTSWIM qualified swimming instructors who can potentially provide quality, ongoing swimming lessons to their community. In Daly River 3 indigenous people began their AUSTSIM Teacher of Swimming & Water Safety award and are working towards its completion next year.

In many communities a barbeque is hosted at the pool during one afternoon. During this time we conduct a Pool Lifesaving Carnival to introduce the sport to community members. This year 1092 indigenous youth participated in a Pool Lifesaving Carnival in their community, 450 more than the previous year. The sport and BBQ is provided for the whole community and aims to promote the pool as the social hub. Promoting the pool as a place where families can access and feel like they are in a fun and safe environment.



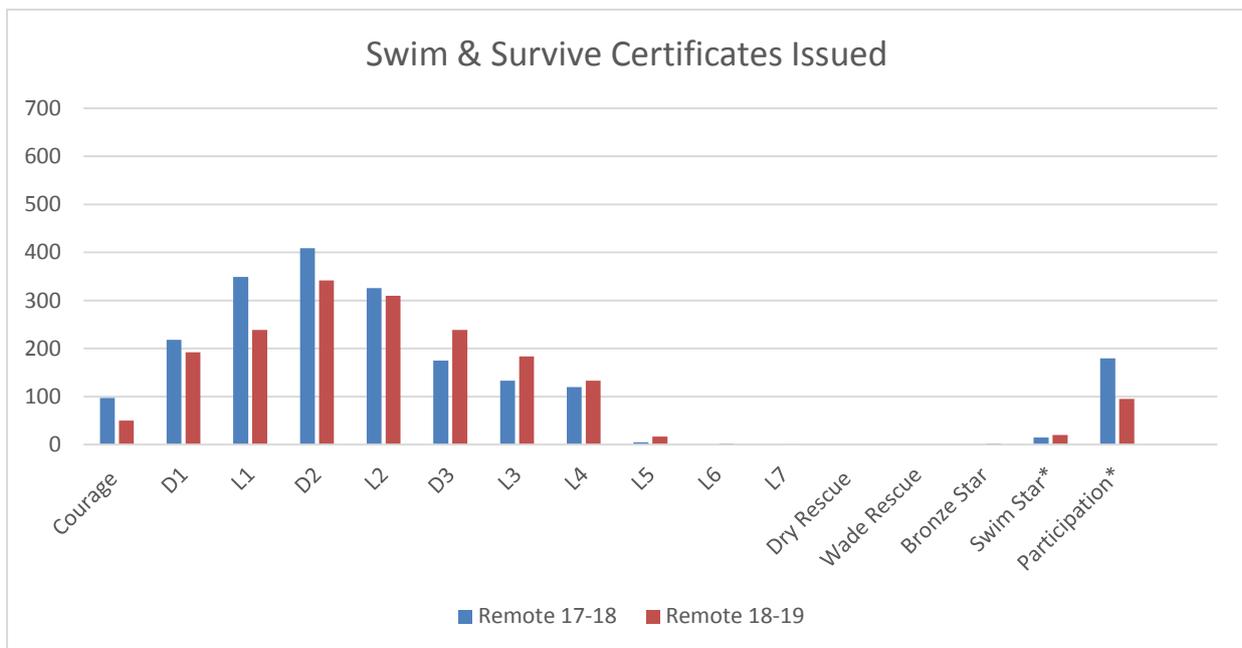
Children from Nauiyu Community lining up for a BBQ February 2019



Students practising rescues, Borroloola February 2019

### Swim & Survive

2069 students participated in Remote Swim & Survive across the Northern Territory. 42 students more than the previous funding year. 155 students achieved the National Water Safety Council bench mark of a level 4 or above during this financial year. 55 more than the previous year.



### Employment, Training and AUSTSWIM Mentoring Program

Royal Life Saving Society Northern Territory aims to develop skills and empower local people in communities to gain employment through aquatic pathways. Allowing them to develop and maintain their community's swimming pool and take ownership of their Swim and Survive Program. This ownership will result in it longer lasting outcomes, not a once-a-year activity. This year, 33 indigenous people gained employment through the training and mentoring of the Swim, Survive & Strive Project. Along with 74 indigenous people who are currently employed within their community and received ongoing professional development. 300 students and adults completed a range of training through the project.

53 Sea Rangers from Peppimenarti, Maningrida, Galiwinku and Milingimbi took part in the project. Working with each individual ranger group we have developed training plans to cater to their goals and objectives. The Asyrikarrak Rangers in Peppimenarti are in their second year of maintaining their local swimming pool. Which previously had not been operational for many years. The project provided the required training in first aid, pool maintenance so the rangers have the correct skills and knowledge to effectively maintain the pool.

Junior Sea Rangers from Maningrida, Galiwinku and Milingimbi travelled by boat and plane to Maningrida to upskill in resuscitation and have the opportunity to receive their level 4 in the Swim & Survive Program. Without these skills students are unable to continue in the ranger program, as it is a minimum requirement. This Swim, Survive & Strive project allowed 47 students to continue their learning in maritime navigation and the ability to gain workplace skills in the maritime industry.



First Aid in Peppimenarti October 2018

### **The Year's Highlight**

Naiyu Nambiyu Pool has been affected by 3 major floods over the past 5 years due to its geographic location next to the iconic Daly River. Since the first flood in 2014 the pool, its plant room and its equipment went under water. Due to the damage it had not been functioning since.

The project has been unable to access these students swimming and water safety abilities since the closure. Although the pool did remain closed for a number of years the team visited the community and delivered dry Swim & Survive lessons to the students. A total of 47 students learnt about the dangers of their aquatic environments and how to deliver basic resuscitation last year.

Pool maintenance continues to be a challenge for Remote NT Swimming Pools. Although the project aims and continues to work strongly with Pool Managers, Councils and Maintenance Staff to prevent problems before they occur, there is a number of challenges that are ongoing. These remote facilities are aging, with a number of the facilities over 30 years old. Many challenges in the Northern Territory landscape are not within our control, such as the weather.

Royal Life Saving NT continued for many years to consult with Victoria Daly Regional Council to reach the next steps in opening the pool. Although the job of refurbishing the facility was given to Green River Aboriginal Corporation. The project continued to consult with Green River Aboriginal Corporation in the opening and ongoing functioning of the facility.

In December 2018 the Naiyu Nambiyu Pool opened to the community. During this time the Swim, Survive & Strive Program trained 5 community members in Resuscitation, Bronze Medallion, Pool Lifeguard and First Aid to allow the pool to be sufficiently supervised and open to the public in the long term. We also delivered a 5 day Swim & Survive Program to both St Francis Xavier School and Woolianna School with 66 students learning vital swimming and lifesaving skills, in a safe swimming environment, for the first time in 5 years. A family fun day was held to officially reopen the facility and promote it as a family friendly place which is safe and fun for which the community can utilise.

The project and its stakeholder have its long term sustainability plan for the facility. Keeping local people employed and the community safe is paramount in the continued functioning of

the facility. Without this project the stakeholders would not be able to provide this service and nobody would be able to train these local people.

The pool must be seen as a safe and fun place where community members can hang out and be happy while participating and exercising. The Swim, Survive & Strive Project continues to work with the key stakeholders such as Green River Aboriginal Corporation, St Francis Xavier School, Woolianna School and the Clinic to maintain the pool as the best place to be in the community.



Naiyu Pool 8.2.19

### **Inland Waterways and Drowning Prevention Program**

The BE RiverSafe campaign continues to work extensively throughout the Northern Territory. The campaign is delivered in Katherine, Darwin, Tennant Creek and Alice Springs. Highlights include increased public engagement through a social media campaign, an improved exposure at key stakeholder community events and a wider reach of the Northern Territory community through the Show Circuit.

The Show Circuit allowed the project to reach over 50,000 Territorians and other achievements include:

- Zero drowning deaths in the Katherine River reported
- Engaged with 10,800 people across 6 community events
- Collected 339 surveys
- Established new membership through Friends of Lifesaving members

The messages are consistent:

- Educate, Watch ya Mate.
- Our Rivers, Your family. Keep Watch
- River Safe is River Sober.
- If it's flooded, forget it.

- Look. Think. Decide.



### Royal Life Saving NT in the media

Throughout 2018/2019 RLSSA NT has been featured in local and Territory print media. We are continually trying to lift our profile within the community and more importantly educate the community in water safety and drowning prevention. We participated in several radio chats and TV interviews.

In 2014.2015 we introduced an award for a media person who we believed made a difference for Lifesaving. This year Amy Hetherington was awarded the NT Media Award for her outstanding MC of Splashfest and her assistance with promoting the profile of Royal Life Saving NT

### Royal Life Saving NT Media Award for making a difference in Lifesaving

<b>Media Award for making a difference for Lifesaving</b>	
<b>2014 / 2015</b>	Kathleen Bruyn
<b>2015 / 2016</b>	Alice Burton
<b>2016 / 2017</b>	Dijana Damjanovic
<b>2017/2018</b>	Amy Hetherington
<b>2018/2019</b>	Monique Sharp



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*#watersafent*  
*#beriversafe*

### Royal Life Saving NT Social Media Profiles

RLSSA NT is actively using social media platforms such as Facebook and Instagram to further promote not only our brand, but also our service products to the community with other Territory organisations being able to share our information. Social media also allows us to gain community feedback and engagement through these platforms.



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*Water Safety NT*

### Professional Memberships

- Chamber of Commerce NT
- Australian Institute of Company Directors
- Australian Resuscitation Council
- Vocational Education Learning Group (VELG)
- ACHPER

## Appendices – Statistics

### Training Certificates Issued

Training	06/07	07/08	08/09	09/10	10/11	11/12	12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19
<b>Award of Merit</b>					3	9	10	6	4	6	6	4	4
<b>Bronze Cross</b>	7	19	5	5	8	14	2	2	1	6	6	4	2
<b>Bronze Star</b>	139	n/a	42	76	42	81	33	29	38	48	67	47	20
<b>Bronze Medallion</b>	285	435	371	424	355	505	424	278	368	371	320	385	358
<b>Bronze Medallion Update</b>	186	186	226	149	250	205	218	266	187	234	243	254	260
<b>Bronze Medallion with Reasonable adjustment</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	2	0	0	12	9
<b>Resuscitation</b>	1070	1209	913	1006	917	883	1188	852	1269	1157	1608	1828	1879
<b>Resuscitation Update</b>	298	389	316	252	385	225	158	385	130	346	36	6	9
<b>Resuscitation Awareness</b>					105		99	147	43	83	95	165	26
<b>Defibrillation Awareness</b>						764	52	286	996	1457	1644	1826	1879
<b>Oxygen Resuscitation</b>	35	56	92	71	79	97	52	49	102	93	87	102	148
<b>Oxygen Resus Update</b>	38	93	94	113	72	102	76	97	97	121	112	106	122
<b>Basic First Aid</b>	77	137	123	29	47	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>First Aid</b>	269	367	208	185	29	126	357	388	483	390	435	521	402
<b>Child Care First Aid</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	17	35	42	52
<b>Advanced First Aid</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	0	0	24	0
<b>Pool Lifeguard</b>	22	58	66	61	79	97	52	49	102	92	86	102	148
<b>Pool Lifeguard Update</b>	55	79	80	113	72	102	76	97	97	121	112	106	122
<b>Swimming Teacher Rescue Award</b>	25	10	41	73	66	93	136	172	143	259	212	228	272
<b>Sea Rangers Bronze Rescue Award</b>										11	6	0	0
<b>Instructor Award</b>	0	n/a	n/a	2		N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>Examiner</b>	0	9	n/a	2	3	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>Trainers</b>	5	0	n/a	10	3	3	3	0	3	5	3	4	6
<b>Pool Operators</b>	0	0	0	30	10	24	5	22	50	34	0	30	21
<b>SRCAQU003A</b>	2	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>SRCAQU003B</b>	308	424	325	393	257	343	11	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>SISCAQU202A</b>							249	244	292	358	16	0	0
<b>SISCAQU002</b>										11	528	907	948
<b>SRCAQU006A</b>	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>SRCAQU006B</b>	33	51	41	40	58	44	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>SISCAQU306A</b>							45	6	85	53	0	0	0
<b>SISCAQU006</b>										11	129	240	299

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SRCAQU007B	33	51	35	40	58	44	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0
SISCAQU307A							45	6	57	0	0	0	0
SISCAQU318	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	53	0	0	0
SISCAQU007										11	129	225	264
PUXEME001A	34	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0
PUAEME001B										11	0	240	300
PUAEME003C							45	6	0	11	129	240	300
SRXFAD001A	257	528	304	307	40	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0
SRXEMR003A	11	50	55	50	10	44	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0
SRCAQU001A	0	n/a	0	30	10	24	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0
SISCAQU201A							5	22	45	26	0	0	0
SISCAQU001										9	0	30	22
SRCAQU002A	0	n/a	0	30	10	24	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0
SISCAQU303A							5	22	45	26	0	0	0
SISCAQU003										9	0	30	21
SRCAQU004A	0	n/a	0	30	10	24	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0
SISCAQU304A							5	22	45	26	0	0	0
SISCAQU004										9	0	30	22
SRXOHS001B						24	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0
SISXOHS101A							5	22	45	0	0	0	0
SISCAQU005										9	0	30	22
BSBRK401										9	0	30	21
HLTFA1A	113	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0
HLTFA211A							N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0
HLTCPR201A					124	547	122	0	0	0	0	0	0
HLTCPR211A							645	661	54	0	0	0	0
HLTFA301B					93	206	94	0	0	0	0	0	0
HLTFA311A							237	330	15	0	0	0	0
HLTAID001									894	1087	1455	1573	1656
HLTAID002									33	17	0	66	52
HLTAID003									459	386	448	777	706
HLTAID004									8	17	47	66	52
HLTAID006									25	0	0	24	0
HLTAID007									110	53	0	24	0
AUSTSWIM	115	121	93	157	133	168	177	142	141	113	125	141	156
<b>Total Training Certificates</b>	<b>3458</b>	<b>4324</b>	<b>3458</b>	<b>3830</b>	<b>3415</b>	<b>4996</b>	<b>4634</b>	<b>4619</b>	<b>6529</b>	<b>7166</b>	<b>8126</b>	<b>10469</b>	<b>10580</b>
<b>RLSSA NT ISSUED FOR RLS TASMANIA</b>	<b>06/07</b>	<b>07/08</b>	<b>08/09</b>	<b>09/10</b>	<b>10/11</b>	<b>11/12</b>	<b>12/13</b>	<b>13/14</b>	<b>14/15</b>	<b>15/16</b>	<b>16/17</b>	<b>17/18</b>	
<b>Bronze medallion</b>									24	0	0	0	
<b>Resuscitation</b>									34	0	0	0	
<b>First Aid</b>									23	0	0	0	
<b>Pool Lifeguard</b>									7	0	0	0	
SISCAQU202A									102	0	0	0	
SISCAQU306A									113	0	0	0	
SISCAQU307A									113	0	0	0	
HLTAID001									376	0	0	0	
HLTAID002									10	0	0	0	

<b>HLTAID003</b>										163	0	0	0	
<b>HLTAID004</b>										10	0	0	0	
<b>HLTAID007</b>										113	0	0	0	
<b>Total</b>										<b>1088</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	

## Swim and Survive Schools

<i>School</i>	<i>No. students</i>	<i>School</i>	<i>No. students</i>
Alawa Primary	121	Sattler Christian School	85
Anula Primary	233	Palmerston Christian	233
Henbury School	7	Sacred Heart Primary	214
Jingili Preschool	34	Araluen Christian	213
Jingili Primary	211	Steiner School – Alice Springs	29
Karama Primary	79	Living Waters Lutheran School	235
Larrakeyah Primary	366	Our Lady of the Sacred Heart - Alice Springs	143
Leanyer Primary	477	Walungurru School - Kintore	32
Ludmilla Primary	38	Ngukurr CEC	157
Millner Primary	153	Areyonga School	18
Moil Primary	41	Yuendumu School	57
Nakara Primary	417	Mount Allan School	
Nightcliff Primary	222	Urapunga School	21
Nightcliff Preschool	75	Kalkaringi School	97
Parap Primary	203	Ntaria School (Hermannsburg)	156
Wagaman Primary	97	Peppimenarti School	30
Wanguri Preschool	69	Pularumpi School (Pirlangimpi)	47
Wulagi Primary	523	Milikapati School	13
Manunda Terrace Primary	195	Tiwi College	7
Bakewell Primary	222	Tennant Creek Primary School	268
Girraween Primary	235	Woolianna School (Naiyu Nambiyu)	32
Gray Primary	208	Maningrida CEC	260
Moulden Primary	100	Mutitjulu School	37
Middle Point Primary	24	Angurugu School	44
Woodroffe Primary	38	Umbakumba School	13
Ross Park - Alice Springs	121	Elliott School	46
Sadadeen Primary	107	Gunbalanya School	132
Gillen Primary	164	Borroloola School	166
Larapinta Primary	105	Milingimbi Shool	18
Holy Family Primary	226	Yirrkala School	41
Holy Spirit Primary	211	Wadeye - OLSH	83
School of the Air – Katherine	6	Ltyentye Apurte Catholic School (Santa Teresa)	86
Katherine South Primary	60	Murrupurtiyanuwu Catholic School (Wurrumiyanga)	181
Kintore Street School	35	Marrara Christian	137
Adelaide River School	46	St Paul's Primary	189

Batchelor Area School	78	The Essington School	464
Ngangatjatjara College	16	St Mary's Primary	169
Nightcliff Middle School	4	Mackillop Catholic College	90
Sanderson Middle School	47	St Francis of Assisi School	41
Yirara Collage	12	Alyangula School	81
Shepherdson College (Galiwinku)	8	Dundee Beach School	16
Numbulwar School	12	Nganambala School (Emu Point)	10
St Francis Xavier School (Naiyu Nambuyu)	34		

## Swim and Survive – Certificates Issued

Certificate Type	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	09/10	10/11	11/12	12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19								
	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	Remot e	4	Remot e	5	Remot e	6	Remot e	7	Remot e	8	Remot e	9	Remot e	
<b>Swim and Survive</b>																						
<b>Wonder Awards Total (Infant Aquatics)</b>	78	12	230	123	326	201	128	315	0	24	0	392		343		402	0	159	0	421	0	
<b>Courage Awards Total</b>	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	109	202	340	453	49	296	122	756	154	614	224	591	212	448	192	470	73	
<b>Developing Water Discovery -D1</b>	622	794	724	732	685	642	861	917	311	1070	369	980	349	905	258	897	441	1078	219	846	262	
<b>Water Discovery - L1</b>	1150	1193	1232	1325	1193	1093	1183	1483	405	1537	511	1495	517	1340	436	1263	369	1686	362	1570	368	
<b>Developing Water Awareness - D2</b>	1324	1349	1481	1450	1348	1384	1396	1792	491	1622	519	1842	559	1659	555	1471	414	2019	420	1784	522	
<b>Water Awareness - L2</b>	1045	1170	1174	1064	873	902	1165	1239	456	1164	295	1278	408	1217	385	964	248	1243	339	1415	394	
<b>Developing Water Sense - D3</b>	839	810	838	686	641	725	803	894	192	858	336	835	398	872	300	668	178	728	183	730	307	
<b>Water Sense - L3</b>	741	657	650	599	542	634	749	603	222	664	306	634	305	536	215	479	263	489	137	554	208	
<b>Water Wise - L4</b>	567	471	560	465	356	439	465	461	175	387	278	389	140	318	118	267	260	294	122	475	149	
<b>Junior Swim and Survive - L5</b>	356	315	277	191	294	241	262	240	19	206	54	167	33	142	25	145	29	141	5	259	18	
<b>Swim and Survive - L6</b>	233	202	140	132	136	116	128	113	9	96	2	65	17	62	10	80	12	103	2	181	3	
<b>Senior Swim and Survive - L7</b>	122	128	105	49	75	60	69	63	21	60	4	43	1	65	10	54	0	11	0	14	1	
<b>Swim Star Participation</b>	781	414	551	1382	915	1124	1062	1187	370	1601	438	1914	253	2525	207	2455	124	3237	192	2003	2142	
<b>Dry/Wade/Accompanied Rescue</b>	136	314	269	93	108	179	73	22	10	17	37	19	1	11	10	26	12	12	11	5	2	

<b>Bronze Star</b>	149	168	171	77	76	33	12	10	4	7	2	26	4	4	0	2	0	0	0	15	5
<b>Water Smart</b>	0	0	48	102	33	2	29	166	0	23	0	161	0	3	0		0	0	0	0	0
<b>Resus Awareness</b>	32	52	29	12	60	6	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Junior Instructor Award</b>	2	4	0	2	2	2	1	0		3	0	3	0	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Junior Lifeguard Club</b>	53	29	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Swim and Survive Awards</b>	<b>8152</b>	<b>8070</b>	<b>8249</b>	<b>8361</b>	<b>7448</b>	<b>7784</b>	<b>8598</b>	<b>9958</b>		<b>9632</b>		<b>10996</b>		<b>10619</b>		<b>9736</b>		<b>11648</b>	<b>2090</b>	<b>10742</b>	<b>2451</b>
<b>Swim &amp; Survive Level 4 &amp; Above</b>	1278	1116	1082	837	861	856	924	1101		749		664	191	587	163	546	301	561	140	1123	178
<b>Remote Swim and Survive Statistics</b>					1152	1878	2101	2745		3273		3139		2753		2562					
<b>Total Swim and Survive Certificates</b>					<b>8600</b>	<b>9863</b>	<b>10827</b>	<b>12703</b>		<b>12905</b>		<b>14135</b>		<b>13372</b>		<b>12298</b>		<b>11648</b>	<b>2090</b>	<b>1123</b>	<b>178</b>
<b>Total Participants Swim and Survive</b>						<b>9395</b>	9876	1181		1218		1413		1337		1229		1373		1319	
<b>Continuums</b>	7424	5570	0	0	0	0	0	0		0		0		0		0		0			

## Audited Financial Reports

# **Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc.**

**Financial Statements**

**For the Year Ended 30 June 2019**

# Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc.

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**Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc.**

**Committee's Report**

**30 June 2019**

The committee members present their report on Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc. for the financial year ended 30 June 2019.

**1. General information**

**Committee members**

The names of the committee members in office at any time during, or since the end of, the year are:

<b>Names</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Appointed/Resigned</b>
Penny Hart	President	Member for full year
Bradley Mortimer	Vice President	Member for full year
Joe De Luca	Treasurer	Member for full year
Rodney Cremona	Secretary	Member for full year
Belinda Lawton	National Director	Member for full year
Randall Cook	Committee member	Member for full year
Alice Doyle	Committee member	Member for full year
James Sheridan	Committee member	Appointed 7 September 2018
Annette Roberts	Public Officer	Member for full year
Fritz Risler	Committee member	Resigned 7 September 2018

Committee members have been in office since the start of the financial year to the date of this report unless otherwise stated.

**Principal activities**

The principal activities of the Association during the financial year was to act as a public benevolent institution (PBI) dedicated to the saving of lives. The Association attempts to turn every day people into every day community lifesavers. This is achieved through education, training, sport and participation, health promotion, risk management, advocacy and research. Royal Life Saving provides the platform for people to pursue aquatic based activities.

**Significant changes**

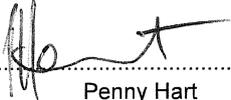
No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

**2. Operating results and review of operations for the year**

**Operating result**

The profit of the Association for the financial year amounted to \$ 172,191 (2018: \$ 81,145).

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee:

President: .....  
  
Penny Hart

Treasurer: .....  
  
Joe De Luca

Dated *26 August 2019*



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## **Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Incorporated**

### **Auditor's Independence Declaration under Section 60-40 of the Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 to the Responsible Persons of Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Incorporated**

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 30 June 2019, there have been:

- (i) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in section 60-40 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* in relation to the audit; and
- (ii) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Adam Dohnt  
*Registered Company Auditor*

Darwin

27 August 2019

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TDH Pty Limited  
ABN: 19 087 176 565  
Director: Adam Dohnt

Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc.

**Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income**  
**For the Year Ended 30 June 2019**

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Revenue	1,864,843	1,659,870
Finance income	3,872	2,749
Other income	28,069	27,067
Employee benefits expense	(991,308)	(952,767)
Depreciation and amortisation expense	(24,559)	(31,494)
Program expenses	(103,011)	(109,868)
Course expenses	(85,705)	(88,986)
Travel expenses	(164,069)	(119,834)
Motor vehicle expenses	(28,695)	(18,646)
Other expenses	(327,246)	(286,946)
<b>Profit for the year</b>	<b>172,191</b>	<b>81,145</b>
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>	<b>172,191</b>	<b>81,145</b>

The Association has not restated comparatives when initially applying AASB 9, the comparative information has been prepared under AASB 139 *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement*.

Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc.

**Statement of Financial Position**

30 June 2019

	Note	2019 \$	2018 \$
<b>ASSETS</b>			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	6	834,320	689,641
Trade and other receivables	7	111,053	45,680
Inventories		-	6,292
Other assets	9	12,612	14,248
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>957,985</b>	<b>755,861</b>
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	8	150,350	95,494
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>150,350</b>	<b>95,494</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>1,108,335</b>	<b>851,355</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	10	100,057	71,074
Employee benefits	11	116,346	122,337
Other financial liabilities	12	2,000	-
Other liabilities		90,516	53,000
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>308,919</b>	<b>246,411</b>
Employee benefits	11	22,281	-
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>22,281</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b>331,200</b>	<b>246,411</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>777,135</b>	<b>604,944</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Reserves	13	530,000	456,000
Retained earnings		247,135	148,944
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>		<b>777,135</b>	<b>604,944</b>

The Association has not restated comparatives when initially applying AASB 9, the comparative information has been prepared under AASB 139 *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement*.

Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc.

**Statement of Changes in Equity**  
For the Year Ended 30 June 2019

2019

	Retained Earnings	General Reserve	Total
	\$	\$	\$
<b>Balance at 1 July 2018</b>	<b>148,944</b>	<b>456,000</b>	<b>604,944</b>
Net profit for the year	172,191	-	172,191
Transfers from retained earnings to general reserve	(74,000)	74,000	-
<b>Balance at 30 June 2019</b>	<b>247,135</b>	<b>530,000</b>	<b>777,135</b>

2018

	Retained Earnings	General Reserve	Total
	\$	\$	\$
<b>Balance at 1 July 2017</b>	117,799	406,000	523,799
Net profit for the year	81,145	-	81,145
Transfers from retained earnings to general reserve	(50,000)	50,000	-
<b>Balance at 30 June 2018</b>	<b>148,944</b>	<b>456,000</b>	<b>604,944</b>

The Association has not restated comparatives when initially applying AASB 9, the comparative information has been prepared under AASB 139 *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement*.

Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc.

**Statement of Cash Flows**  
For the Year Ended 30 June 2019

	Note	2019 \$	2018 \$
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>			
Receipts from customers		717,441	717,211
Payments to suppliers and employees		(1,650,966)	(1,624,191)
Donations received		1,043	-
Interest received		2,818	2,749
Receipt from grants		1,141,940	1,011,460
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	16	<u>212,276</u>	<u>107,229</u>
Proceeds from sale of plant and equipment		11,818	-
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(79,415)	(104,344)
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities		<u>(67,597)</u>	<u>(104,344)</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents held		144,679	2,885
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		689,641	686,756
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	6	<u><u>834,320</u></u>	<u><u>689,641</u></u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

## Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc.

# Notes to the Financial Statements

## For the Year Ended 30 June 2019

The financial statements cover Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc. as an individual entity. Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc. is a not-for-profit Association, registered and domiciled in Australia.

The functional and presentation currency of Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc. is Australian dollars.

Comparatives are consistent with prior years, unless otherwise stated.

### 1 Basis of Preparation

In the opinion of those charged with Governance the Association is not a reporting entity since there are unlikely to exist users of the financial statements who are not able to command the preparation of reports tailored so as to satisfy specifically all of their information needs. These special purpose financial statements have been prepared to meet the reporting requirements of the Association's constitution, the *Associations Act (NT) 2003* and the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the recognition and measurement requirements of the Australian Accounting Standards and Accounting Interpretations, and the disclosure requirements of AASB 101 *Presentation of Financial Statements*, AASB 107 *Statement of Cash Flows*, AASB 108 *Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors* and AASB 1054 *Australian Additional Disclosures*.

### 2 Change in Accounting Policy

#### Financial Instruments - Adoption of AASB 9

The Association has adopted AASB 9 *Financial Instruments* for the first time in the current year with a date of initial adoption of 1 July 2017.

As part of the adoption of AASB 9, the Association adopted consequential amendments to other accounting standards arising from the issue of AASB 9 as follows:

- AASB 101 *Presentation of Financial Statements* requires the impairment of financial assets to be presented in a separate line item in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income. In the comparative year, this information was presented as part of other expenses.
- AASB 7 *Financial Instruments: Disclosures* requires amended disclosures due to changes arising from AASB 9, this disclosures have been provided for the current year.

The key changes to the Association's accounting policy and the impact on these financial statements from applying AASB 9 are described below.

Changes in accounting policies resulting from the adoption of AASB 9 have been applied retrospectively except the Association has not restated any amounts relating to classification and measurement requirements including impairment which have been applied from 1 July 2018.

#### Impairment of financial assets

The incurred loss model from AASB 139 has been replaced with an expected credit loss model in AASB 9 for assets measured at amortised cost, contract assets and fair value through other comprehensive income. This has resulted in the earlier recognition of credit loss (bad debt provisions).

## Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2019

### 3 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### (a) Income Tax

The Association is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

#### (b) Leases

Lease payments for operating leases, where substantially all of the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are charged as expenses on a straight-line basis over the life of the lease term.

#### (c) Revenue and other income

Revenue is recognised when the amount of the revenue can be measured reliably, it is probable that economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the Association and specific criteria relating to the type of revenue as noted below, has been satisfied.

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and is presented net of returns, discounts and rebates.

#### Grant revenue

Grant revenue is recognised in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income when the Association obtains control of the grant, it is probable that the economic benefits gained from the grant will flow to the entity and the amount of the grant can be measured reliably.

When grant revenue is received whereby the Association incurs an obligation to deliver economic value directly back to the contributor, this is considered a reciprocal transaction and the grant revenue is recognised in the statement of financial position as a liability until the service has been delivered to the contributor, otherwise the grant is recognised as income on receipt.

Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc. receives non-reciprocal contributions of assets from the government and other parties for zero or a nominal value. These assets are recognised at fair value on the date of acquisition in the statement of financial position, with a corresponding amount of income recognised in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

#### Rendering of services

Revenue in relation to rendering of services is recognised depending on whether the outcome of the services can be estimated reliably. If the outcome can be estimated reliably then the stage of completion of the services is used to determine the appropriate level of revenue to be recognised in the period.

If the outcome cannot be reliably estimated then revenue is recognised to the extent of expenses recognised that are recoverable.

#### Subscriptions

Revenue from the provision of membership subscriptions is recognised on receipt.

#### Other income

Other income is recognised on an accruals basis when the Association is entitled to it.

## Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2019

### 3 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### (d) Goods and services tax (GST)

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO).

Receivables and payable are stated inclusive of GST.

Cash flows in the statement of cash flows are included on a gross basis and the GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which is recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is classified as operating cash flows.

#### (e) Property, plant and equipment

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost or fair value less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment.

Items of property, plant and equipment acquired for nil or nominal consideration have been recorded at the acquisition date fair value.

Assets measured using the revaluation model are carried at fair value at the revaluation date less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Revaluations are performed whenever there is a material movement in the value of an asset under the revaluation model.

#### Plant and equipment

Plant and equipment are measured using the cost model.

#### Depreciation

Property, plant and equipment, excluding freehold land, is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the assets useful life to the Association, commencing when the asset is ready for use.

Leased assets and leasehold improvements are amortised over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or their estimated useful life.

The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciable asset are shown below:

Fixed asset class	Depreciation rate
Plant and Equipment	10.0%
Motor Vehicles	20.0%
Leasehold improvements	Remaining lease term

At the end of each annual reporting period, the depreciation method, useful life and residual value of each asset is reviewed. Any revisions are accounted for prospectively as a change in estimate.

#### (f) Financial instruments

Financial instruments are recognised initially on the date that the Association becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

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#### 3 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

##### (f) Financial instruments

On initial recognition, all financial instruments are measured at fair value plus transaction costs (except for instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss where transaction costs are expensed as incurred).

##### Financial assets

All recognised financial assets are subsequently measured in their entirety at either amortised cost or fair value, depending on the classification of the financial assets.

##### *Classification*

On initial recognition, the Association classifies its financial assets into the following categories, those measured at:

- amortised cost
- fair value through profit or loss - FVTPL
- fair value through other comprehensive income - equity instrument (FVOCI - equity)
- fair value through other comprehensive income - debt investments (FVOCI - debt)

Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition unless the Association changes its business model for managing financial assets.

##### *Amortised cost*

Assets measured at amortised cost are financial assets where:

- the business model is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows; and
- the contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

The Association's financial assets measured at amortised cost comprise trade and other receivables and cash and cash equivalents in the statement of financial position.

Subsequent to initial recognition, these assets are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method less provision for impairment.

Interest income, foreign exchange gains or losses and impairment are recognised in profit or loss. Gain or loss on derecognition is recognised in profit or loss.

##### *Fair value through other comprehensive income*

##### Equity instruments

These investments are carried at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in other comprehensive income (financial asset reserve). On disposal any balance in the financial asset reserve is transferred to retained

## Notes to the Financial Statements

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### 3 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### (f) Financial instruments

##### Financial assets

earnings and is not reclassified to profit or loss.

Dividends are recognised as income in profit or loss unless the dividend clearly represents a recovery of part of the cost of the investment. Other net gains and losses are recognised in OCI.

Financial assets through profit or loss

All financial assets not classified as measured at amortised cost or fair value through other comprehensive income as described above are measured at FVTPL.

Net gains or losses, including any interest or dividend income are recognised in profit or loss (refer to hedging accounting policy for derivatives designated as hedging instruments.)

##### *Impairment of financial assets*

Impairment of financial assets is recognised on an expected credit loss (ECL) basis for the following assets:

- financial assets measured at amortised cost
- debt investments measured at FVOCI

When determining whether the credit risk of a financial assets has increased significant since initial recognition and when estimating ECL, the Association considers reasonable and supportable information that is relevant and available without undue cost or effort. This includes both quantitative and qualitative information and analysis based on the Association's historical experience and informed credit assessment and including forward looking information.

The Association uses the presumption that an asset which is more than 30 days past due has seen a significant increase in credit risk.

The Association uses the presumption that a financial asset is in default when:

- the other party is unlikely to pay its credit obligations to the Association in full, without recourse to the Association to actions such as realising security (if any is held); or
- the financial assets is more than 90 days past due.

Credit losses are measured as the present value of the difference between the cash flows due to the Association in accordance with the contract and the cash flows expected to be received. This is applied using a probability weighted approach.

##### *Trade receivables*

Impairment of trade receivables have been determined using the simplified approach in AASB 9 which uses an estimation of lifetime expected credit losses. The Association has determined the probability of non-payment of the receivable and multiplied this by the amount of the expected loss arising from default.

The amount of the impairment is recorded in a separate allowance account with the loss being recognised in

## Notes to the Financial Statements

### For the Year Ended 30 June 2019

#### 3 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

##### (f) Financial instruments

###### Financial assets

finance expense. Once the receivable is determined to be uncollectable then the gross carrying amount is written off against the associated allowance.

Where the Association renegotiates the terms of trade receivables due from certain customers, the new expected cash flows are discounted at the original effective interest rate and any resulting difference to the carrying value is recognised in profit or loss.

###### *Other financial assets measured at amortised cost*

Impairment of other financial assets measured at amortised cost are determined using the expected credit loss model in AASB 9. On initial recognition of the asset, an estimate of the expected credit losses for the next 12 months is recognised. Where the asset has experienced significant increase in credit risk then the lifetime losses are estimated and recognised.

###### Financial liabilities

The Association measures all financial liabilities initially at fair value less transaction costs, subsequently financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

The financial liabilities of the Association comprise trade payables, bank and other loans and finance lease liabilities.

##### (g) Impairment of non-financial assets

At the end of each reporting period the Association determines whether there is an evidence of an impairment indicator for non-financial assets.

Where an indicator exists and regardless for indefinite life intangible assets and intangible assets not yet available for use, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated.

Where assets do not operate independently of other assets, the recoverable amount of the relevant cash-generating unit (CGU) is estimated.

The recoverable amount of an asset or CGU is the higher of the fair value less costs of disposal and the value in use. Value in use is the present value of the future cash flows expected to be derived from an asset or cash-generating unit.

Where the recoverable amount is less than the carrying amount, an impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss.

Reversal indicators are considered in subsequent periods for all assets which have suffered an impairment loss.

##### (h) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprises cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments which are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

## Notes to the Financial Statements

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### 3 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### (i) Employee benefits

Provision is made for the Association's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting period. Employee benefits that are expected to be wholly settled within one year have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled.

Employee benefits expected to be settled more than one year after the end of the reporting period have been measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made for those benefits. In determining the liability, consideration is given to employee wage increases and the probability that the employee may satisfy vesting requirements. Cashflows are discounted using market yields on high quality corporate bond rates incorporating bonds rated AAA or AA by credit agencies, with terms to maturity that match the expected timing of cashflows. Changes in the measurement of the liability are recognised in profit or loss.

#### (j) Economic dependence

Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc. is dependent on the support of various Northern Territory Government Departments for the majority of its revenue used to operate the business. At the date of this report, the committee have no reason to believe this support will not continue into the future.

#### (k) Adoption of new and revised accounting standards

The Association has adopted all standards which became effective for the first time at 30 June 2019, the adoption of these standards has not caused any material adjustments to the reported financial position, performance or cash flow of the Association.

## Notes to the Financial Statements

### For the Year Ended 30 June 2019

#### 3 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

##### (I) New Accounting Standards and Interpretations

The AASB has issued new and amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations that have mandatory application dates for future reporting periods. The Association has decided not to early adopt these Standards. The following table summarises those future requirements, and their impact on the Association where the standard is relevant:

<b>Standard Name</b>	<b>Effective date for entity</b>	<b>Requirements</b>	<b>Impact</b>
AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers	1 January 2019	Replaces AASB 118 Revenue, AASB 111 Construction Contracts and some revenue-related Interpretations: - establishes a new revenue recognition model - changes the basis for deciding whether revenue is to be recognised over time or at a point in time - provides new and more detailed guidance on specific topics (e.g. multiple element arrangements, variable pricing, rights of return, warranties and licensing) - expands and improves disclosures about revenue.	When this Standard is first adopted for the year ending 30 June 2020, there will be no material impact on the transactions and balances recognised in the financial statements.

**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
**For the Year Ended 30 June 2019**

**3 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

**(I) New Accounting Standards and Interpretations**

<b>Standard Name</b>	<b>Effective date for entity</b>	<b>Requirements</b>	<b>Impact</b>
AASB 16 Leases	1 January 2019	<p>Replaces AASB 117 Leases and some lease-related Interpretations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- requires all leases to be accounted for 'on-balance sheet' by lessees, other than short-term and low value asset leases</li> <li>- provides new guidance on the application of the definition of lease and on sale and lease back accounting</li> <li>- largely retains the existing lessor accounting requirements in AASB 117</li> <li>- requires new and different disclosures about leases.</li> </ul>	<p>The entity is yet to undertake a detailed assessment of the impact of AASB 16. However, based on the entity's preliminary assessment, the likely impact on the first time adoption of the Standard for the year ending 30 June 2020 includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- there will be a significant increase in lease assets and financial liabilities recognised on the balance sheet</li> <li>- the reported equity will reduce as the carrying amount of lease assets will reduce more quickly than the carrying amount of lease liabilities</li> <li>- Profit in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income will be higher as the implicit interest in lease payments for former off balance sheet leases will be presented as part of finance costs rather than being included in operating expenses</li> <li>- operating cash outflows will be lower and financing cash flows will be higher in the statement of cash flows as principal repayments on all lease liabilities will now be included in financing activities rather than operating activities. Interest can also be included within financing activities</li> </ul>

## Notes to the Financial Statements

### For the Year Ended 30 June 2019

#### 3 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

##### (I) New Accounting Standards and Interpretations

Standard Name	Effective date for entity	Requirements	Impact
AASB 1058 Income of Not-for-Profit Entities	1 January 2019	<p>AASB 1058 clarifies and simplifies the income recognition requirements that apply to not-to-profit (NFP) entities, in conjunction with AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers. These Standards supersede all the income recognition requirements relating to private sector NFP entities, and the majority of income recognition requirements relating to public sector NFP entities, previously in AASB 1004 Contributions.</p> <p>Under AASB 1058, the timing of income recognition depends on whether a NFP transaction gives rise to a liability or other performance obligation (a promise to transfer a good or service), or a contribution by owners, related to an asset (such as cash or another asset) received by an entity.</p> <p>This standard applies when a NFP entity enters into transactions where the consideration to acquire an asset is significantly less than the fair value of the asset principally to enable the entity to further its objectives. In the latter case, the entity will recognise and measure the asset at fair value in accordance with the applicable Australian Accounting Standard (e.g. AASB 116 Property, Plant and Equipment).</p> <p>Upon initial recognition of the asset, AASB 1058 requires the entity to consider whether any other financial statement elements (called 'related amounts') should be recognised, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a Contributions by owners;</li> <li>b Revenue, or a contract liability arising from a contract with a customer;</li> <li>c A lease liability;</li> <li>d A financial instrument; or</li> <li>e A provision.</li> </ul> <p>These related amounts will be accounted for in accordance with the applicable Australian Accounting Standard.</p>	<p>When this Standard is first adopted for the year ending 30 June 2020, there will be no material impact on the transactions and balances recognised in the financial statements.</p>

## Notes to the Financial Statements

### For the Year Ended 30 June 2019

#### 4 Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgments

Those charged with governance make estimates and judgements during the preparation of these financial statements regarding assumptions about current and future events affecting transactions and balances.

These estimates and judgements are based on the best information available at the time of preparing the financial statements, however as additional information is known then the actual results may differ from the estimates.

The significant estimates and judgements made have been described below.

##### Key estimates - receivables

The receivables at reporting date have been reviewed to determine whether there is any objective evidence that any of the receivables are impaired. An impairment provision is included for any receivable where the entire balance is not considered collectible. The impairment provision is based on the best information at the reporting date.

#### 5 Result for the Year

The result for the year includes the following specific expenses:

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Other expenses:		
Employee benefits expense	991,308	952,767
Rental expense on operating leases:		
- Minimum lease payments	22,290	20,376

#### 6 Cash and Cash Equivalents

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Cash at bank and in hand	384,320	689,641
Short-term deposits	450,000	-
	<u>834,320</u>	<u>689,641</u>

#### 7 Trade and Other Receivables

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Trade receivables	96,195	39,743
Other receivables	1,569	771
GST receivable	13,289	5,166
	<u>111,053</u>	<u>45,680</u>

The carrying value of trade receivables is considered a reasonable approximation of fair value due to the short-term nature of the balances.

The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date is the fair value of receivables in the financial statements.

**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
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**8 Property, plant and equipment**

Plant and equipment		
At cost	19,462	19,462
Accumulated depreciation	(13,452)	(12,754)
<b>Total plant and equipment</b>	<b>6,010</b>	<b>6,708</b>
Motor vehicles		
At cost	153,771	179,771
Accumulated depreciation	(87,921)	(90,985)
<b>Total motor vehicles</b>	<b>65,850</b>	<b>88,786</b>
Leasehold Improvements		
At cost	79,416	-
Accumulated amortisation	(926)	-
<b>Total leasehold improvements</b>	<b>78,490</b>	<b>-</b>
	<b>150,350</b>	<b>95,494</b>

**(a) Movements in carrying amounts of property, plant and equipment**

Movement in the carrying amounts for each class of property, plant and equipment between the beginning and the end of the current financial year:

	Plant and Equipment \$	Motor Vehicles \$	Leasehold Improvement s \$	Total \$
<b>Year ended 30 June 2019</b>				
Balance at the beginning of year	6,708	88,786	-	95,494
Additions	-	-	79,416	79,416
Depreciation expense	(698)	(22,936)	(926)	(24,560)
<b>Balance at the end of the year</b>	<b>6,010</b>	<b>65,850</b>	<b>78,490</b>	<b>150,350</b>

	Plant and Equipment \$	Motor Vehicles \$	Leasehold Improvement s \$	Total \$
<b>Year ended 30 June 2018</b>				
Balance at the beginning of year	2,920	14,120	-	17,040
Additions	6,980	105,074	-	112,054
Disposals - written down value	-	(2,458)	-	(2,458)
Depreciation expense	(3,192)	(27,950)	-	(31,142)
<b>Balance at the end of the year</b>	<b>6,708</b>	<b>88,786</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>95,494</b>

**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
**For the Year Ended 30 June 2019**

**9 Other Assets**

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Prepayments	12,612	14,248
	<u>12,612</u>	<u>14,248</u>

**10 Trade and Other Payables**

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Trade payables	17,626	11,991
GST payable	848	3,089
Sundry payables and accrued expenses	16,128	12,318
PAYG withholding payable	5,306	9,760
Accrued wages and superannuation	31,818	26,268
Credit cards payable	28,331	7,648
	<u>100,057</u>	<u>71,074</u>

Trade and other payables are unsecured, non-interest bearing and are normally settled within 30 days. The carrying value of trade and other payables is considered a reasonable approximation of fair value due to the short-term nature of the balances.

**11 Employee Benefits**

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Long service leave	71,053	81,808
Provision for employee benefits	45,293	40,529
	<u>116,346</u>	<u>122,337</u>

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
NON-CURRENT		
Long service leave	22,281	-
	<u>22,281</u>	<u>-</u>

**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
For the Year Ended 30 June 2019

**12 Other Financial Liabilities**

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Amounts received in advance	2,000	-
	<u>2,000</u>	<u>-</u>

**13 Reserves**

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
<b>General reserve</b>		
Opening balance	456,000	406,000
Transfers in	74,000	50,000
	<u>530,000</u>	<u>456,000</u>

**(a) General reserve**

The general reserve records funds set aside for operational and capital expenditure of Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc. as detailed below.

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Future building acquisition	450,000	450,000
Future expansion of information technology	80,000	6,000
	<u>530,000</u>	<u>456,000</u>

**14 Auditors' Remuneration**

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Remuneration of the auditor, TDH Chartered Accountants, for:		
- auditing or reviewing the financial statements	6,850	5,340
	<u>6,850</u>	<u>5,340</u>

## Notes to the Financial Statements

### For the Year Ended 30 June 2019

#### 15 Contingent Liabilities

Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc. had the following contingent liability at the end of the reporting period:

##### *Water Safety Awareness Program*

The Association receives funding to provide the 'Water Safety Awareness Program (WSAP)'. The WSAP provides registered children, under the age of five years, with vouchers for the free attendance at five WSAP sessions. On the attainment of age five these vouchers expire. Each funded voucher has a face value of \$12.50.

The Association physically receives the funding for the entire year's program at the commencement of each financial year. At the conclusion of each financial year the Association reconciles the unrepresented, unexpired vouchers. At 30 June 2019 the number of unrepresented, unexpired vouchers were 23,638 (2018: 18,437, 2017: 14,034). The funded face value these vouchers is \$295,475 (2018: \$230,463, 2017: \$175,425).

On review of the total vouchers presented during the year, it was established that 6,010 (2018: 7,035, 2017: 19,595) vouchers were utilised during the current year. Included in this balance were 1,154 (2018: 1,896, 2017: 360) vouchers which were written back as expired, being 19% (2018: 27%, 2017: 2%) of the total number of vouchers utilised.

Historically, there has been significant probability that a material number of these outstanding vouchers would expire without being utilised. As such, the recognition of this liability in the Statement of Financial Position has not been considered appropriate. This assessment will be reconsidered in the next 12 months as utilisation of the vouchers continues to fluctuate significantly year on year.

#### 16 Cash Flow Information

##### (a) Reconciliation of result for the year to cashflows from operating activities

Reconciliation of net income to net cash provided by operating activities:

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Profit for the year	172,191	81,145
Cash flows excluded from profit attributable to operating activities		
Non-cash flows in profit:		
- depreciation	24,559	31,144
- net gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(11,818)	(5,254)
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
- (increase)/decrease in trade and other receivables	(65,590)	40,321
- (increase)/decrease in prepayments	1,636	(5,756)
- (increase)/decrease in inventories	6,292	3,477
- increase/(decrease) in trade and other payables	68,716	(38,722)
- increase/(decrease) in employee benefits	16,290	874
Cashflows from operations	<u>212,276</u>	<u>107,229</u>

**Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc.**

## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

**For the Year Ended 30 June 2019**

### **17 Statutory Information**

The registered office and principal place of business of the association is:

Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc.  
77 Ross Smith Avenue  
Parap NT 0820

**Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc.**

**Statement by Members of the Committee**

The committee members declare that in their opinion:

- the accompanying financial statements are drawn up as to present fairly the state of affairs of the Association as at 30 June 2019, the results of its operations and cash flows of the Association for the year ended on that date;
- the accounts of the Association have been properly prepared and are in accordance with the books of account of the Association;
- there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association is able to pay all of its debts, as and when they become due and payable; and
- the financial statements and notes satisfy the requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*.

Signed in accordance with subsection 60.15(2) of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission Regulation 2013*.

President .....  
Penny Hart

Treasurer .....  
Joe De Luca

Dated 26 August 2019

## Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Incorporated

# Independent Audit Report to the members of Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Incorporated

### Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

#### Qualified Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Incorporated, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2019, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the statement by members of the committee.

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion section of our report, the financial statements of Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Incorporated have been prepared in accordance with Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*, including:

- (i) giving a true and fair view of the Association's financial position as at 30 June 2019 and of its financial performance for the year ended; and
- (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards to the extent described in Note 1, and Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013*.

#### Basis for Qualified Opinion

It is not practical for the Association to establish accounting controls over revenue prior to its receipt and accordingly it is not possible for our examination to include audit procedures to extend beyond the amounts recorded in the accounting records of the Association.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Association in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* (ACNC Act) and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements have been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the Association's financial reporting responsibilities under its constitution, the Associations Act the ACNC Act. As a result, the financial statements may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

**Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Incorporated**  
**Independent Audit Report to the members of Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Incorporated**

**Responsibilities of Responsible Entities for the Financial Report**

The committee members of the Association are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements that gives a true and fair view and have determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 to the financial statements is appropriate to meet the requirements of the Association's constitution, the Associations Act, the ACNC Act and the needs of the members. The committee members' responsibility also includes such internal control as the committee determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial statements that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the committee members are responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the committee either intend to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

**Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

Adam Dohnt

*Registered Company Auditor*

Darwin

27 August 2019

**Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc.**  
**For the Year Ended 30 June 2019**

**Detailed Income and Expenditure Statement**

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
<b>Income</b>		
Sale of goods	3,467	5,583
Fees	756,953	658,887
Interest income	3,872	2,749
Grant income	1,104,424	995,401
Other income	28,069	27,067
<b>Total income</b>	<b>1,896,785</b>	<b>1,689,687</b>
<b>Less: Expenses</b>		
Accounting fees	28,792	31,251
Administration and management fees	216	-
Advertising	59,183	43,914
Auditors remuneration	6,850	5,340
Bank charges	441	1,819
Cleaning	392	912
Conference/Seminar costs	4,323	3,956
Consulting and professional fees	59,200	52,746
Consumables	10,757	10,052
Course expenses	85,705	88,986
Depreciation	24,559	31,494
Donations	784	594
Electricity and water	8,884	8,537
Equipment < \$5,000	11,484	5,419
Insurance	19,822	25,227
IT Expenses	5,495	4,400
Lease rentals on operating lease	22,290	20,376
Motor vehicle expenses	28,695	18,646
Postage	3,335	2,176
Printing and stationery	29,985	20,106
Program expenses	103,011	109,868
Repairs and maintenance	5,508	3,928
Salaries	900,235	859,069
Staff amenities	1,575	1,245
Staff training	10,674	18,638
Storage costs	443	2,025
Subcontracting costs	18,992	16,291
Subscriptions	10,688	9,082
Sundry expenses	(965)	-
Superannuation contributions	80,400	75,061
Telephone and fax	11,981	14,344
Travel expenses	164,069	119,834
Uniforms	6,791	3,206
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>1,724,594</b>	<b>1,608,542</b>
<b>Net profit</b>	<b>172,191</b>	<b>81,145</b>



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**Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Incorporated  
For the Year Ended 30 June 2019**

**Disclaimer**

The additional financial data presented on page 26 is in accordance with the books and records of the Association which have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our statutory audit of the Association for the year ended 30 June 2019. It will be appreciated that our statutory audit did not cover all details of the additional financial data. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on such financial data and we give no warranty of accuracy or reliability in respect of the data provided. Neither the firm nor any member or employee of the firm undertakes responsibility in any way whatsoever to any person (other than Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Incorporated) in respect of such data, including any errors or omissions therein however caused.

Adam Dohnt  
*Registered Company Auditor*

27 August 2019

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