



ROYAL LIFE SAVING
NORTHERN TERRITORY



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BIOGRAPHY

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Ngalakan

Date of birth

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Community

Ngukurr : NT

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Message from our Patrons



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

Recreational water activities are a much-loved, and for many a daily part of life in our Northern Territory. Ensuring that all Territorians have access to the tools and resources needed to promote water safety is such an important responsibility, and one that Royal Life Saving Society NT continues to do remarkably well. The Territory's vast geographical footprint offers unique challenges to service delivery. This year, The Remote Swim, Survive and Strive program was delivered across 21 remote communities and was a huge success. It has meant that children and young people, living in some of our most remote locations across the Territory were able to learn vital water safety and strong and effective swimming techniques. Delivering these programs is an outstanding achievement and we offer our congratulations and thanks to all facilitators involved.

Sadly, each year Territorians lose loved ones to drowning incidents and Craig and I offer our deepest condolences to those families who have been affected by these tragedies. We are reminded of the importance of School Swimming and Water Safety programs and what a vital part they play in ensuring the safety of all Territorians. With over 12,000 children participating in Swim and Survive this year, we can all take comfort in knowing that our young Territorians are confident and well-equipped to safely enjoy so many of our favourite past times which are spent near the water. In the last twelve months, Royal Life Saving (Australia) Northern Territory Branch has seen more than 2000 children enrolled in water safety awareness programs. Over 25, 000 children have participated in these since inception, which has no doubt contributed to the prevention of drowning instances in children under five years of age.

As joint Patrons, and as parents we are comforted in the knowledge that the Royal Life Saving Society is committed to continuing its public awareness programs and educational initiatives, to help all Territorians understand how they can live and play safely by our magnificent waterways and swimming spots.

On behalf of all Territorians, thank you to all staff and members who make this invaluable service available to our community. We look forward to continuing working with you in support of your organisation over the coming year.

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



Royal Life Saving NT is focused on its mission of preventing loss of life and injury in the aquatic environment and promoting safe participation in water related pursuits. It continues to strengthen in every facet of its operations and is fortunate to be supported by fantastic people who rose to the challenge of working in a world away from pool deck during the COVID-19 period. The organisation used the period to reflect internally and strove for even better governance and policies by the time swimming lessons and training recommenced. Throughout the 2019/2020 year an amazing 21,605 certificates, including 12,272 from the Swim and Survive program and 9,333 training certificates, were issued.

The NT has proven its capacity as the peak body for water safety training and education in the Territory and remains committed to its cause of drowning prevention. We have a very strong strategic plan, “Our People, Our Lifestyle, Our Water 2018-2022”, that outlines our purpose over the next four years. 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 also continues to forge strong partnerships with industry and works in collaboration with Pool Managers; the Government through the Departments of Tourism, Sport and Culture, Local Government, Health, Aboriginal Affairs, Territory Families and Education; the Education Sector through Primary, Middle, Senior and Pre-schools; with like training providers such as AUSTSWIM; and with the community through health promotion initiatives and community development programs.

On behalf of Royal Life Saving NT I thank the following people for their support in 2019/2020:

- The Patrons of the Society, Her Honour Vicki O’Halloran AO & Mr Craig O’Halloran
- The Honourable Ken Wyatt AM, MP, Minister for Indigenous Affairs
- Mr Luke Gosling OAM, MP, Federal Member for Solomon
- The Hon. Lauren Moss, Northern Territory Minister for Tourism, Sport and Culture
- The Hon. Selena Uibo, Northern Territory 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 committed to the Society’s teachings, future directions and to making a difference in our community
- Royal life Saving Australia and Branches across Australia for strong working relationships that support 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 2019/20 we celebrated 2428 active members, representing an 8% increase from the previous year. We conducted 71 community events reaching 139,547 people. Royal Life Saving NT provided a community benefit and services to 155,978 people across the northern Territory, achieving our strategic goal of reaching over 40% of our population.

Our focus is drowning prevention strategies relevant to the needs of our community. Despite our committed actions and advocacy, the Northern Territory maintains the highest drowning rate, per capita, in Australia.

12,272 primary school aged children from 84 schools participated in the Swim and Survive program, with 716 achieving the national benchmark of level 4. Participation numbers are slightly down and the number achieving a level 4 has declined, with 3.5% of enrolled students achieving the National Benchmark. Royal Life Saving NT are deeply concerned about these statistics and continues to engage families, schools and lobby Government to fund the Swim and Survive Program for Primary School students. The collaboration with the Department of Education has created an exciting option for Swimming and Water Safety for children in upper-primary school. The Water Safety and Life Skills program for students in Years 4, 5 and 6 is 3 full days of curriculum linked Water Safety, Life Skills, Tennis, Yoga, Team Building and scenarios over a three week period. This program provides opportunity for schools to minimise costs and disruption to class, while still teaching vital skills.

1,804 children from 33 remote schools participated in the Remote Swim, Survive and Strive project and 103 students achieved the national swimming and water safety benchmark of a level four and above, 3 students from Mutitjulu 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. 369 local community people participated in this training, with 33 indigenous people gaining employment. 23 Indigenous rangers completed training with a total of 3068 people in 20 remote community locations participating in the program. The ten year evaluation of the program highlights the engagement and success of the program and the importance of ongoing funding.

9,333 training certificates were issued with 55% of this training conducted in regional and remote areas. 3,646 statements of attainments were issued under Vocational Education and Training. 312 Training courses were conducted across the Northern Territory to 2159 Participants

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 2,000

enrolments were received with 13 providers operating across the NT. 25,840 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. The 15 year evaluation of the program highlights the value of the program to Our Community and how it is making a real difference to drowning prevention.

The Sport of Pool Lifesaving maintained 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 seven lifesaving athletes and officials to the Australian Pool Life Saving Championships in Perth. We placed 6th 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.

Covid-19 pushed us into another level. This was a time of uncertainty and anxiety and after a long pause we used this time to rest, reflect and re-set our lives and workplace. We realised our values kept us strong and we practiced more kindness and gratitude and we transformed into action and innovation. The Federal Government Cashflow Boost and Job Keeper enabled us to have 15 people maintain employment and we supported a further 5 staff who were not eligible for JobKeeper. This provided time for innovation, business improvements and renovations for our Head Quarters. The NT Government Business Survival Fund, Immediate Works Grant, Stimulus Grants and support during this time was our Lifesaver. The communication and leadership that was provided from Minister Moss, driven by Philip Leslie and his Team was outstanding.

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. A Massive THANK YOU to our fantastic staff for their continued dedication and commitment. I am so very grateful and honoured to be part of an inspiring team who are strengthened by and committed to our values of Quality, Respect, Leadership and Innovation.

Yours in lifesaving
Floss Roberts



Highlights of the Year 2019/2020

- Provided a community benefit and services to 155,978 people across the Northern Territory, achieving our strategic goal of reaching over 40% of our population.
- 12,272 children participated in the Swim and Survive program with 716 Students achieving the National Water Safety Competency Benchmark of a level 4 or above.
- 337 children participated in our “Little Royals Swim School” Program run in Batchelor, Katherine and Darwin with 207 of these registered in Katherine
- 3,068 people participated within the Indigenous Advancement Strategy - Remote Swim, Survive & Strive. The project ran within 20 remote communities with 33 remote schools accessing the program. This includes 1,804 students in remote locations with 103 achieving the national swimming and water safety benchmark of a level 4 or above. 369 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 23 indigenous sea rangers.
- 312 Training courses were conducted across the NT, for 2,159 participants, with 9,333 certificates issued including 3,646 statements of attainments. 55% of training courses were delivered in regional and remote area of the Northern Territory.
- AUSTSWIM: 15 courses with 161 participants, 50% of these were delivered in Regional and Remote locations. We 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.
- 11 Schools participated in Pipes and Drains education sessions which reached 1,294 students. In addition to this, 6 community events were attended directly targeting the Pipes & Drains message, reaching an estimated 10,000 people
- A total of 45 schools were visited by the Water Safety Unit to deliver water safety talks to 5,787 students across the NT.
- Water Safety Week 22nd September to 28th September 2019 with 25 events to over 15,000 people, including Splashfest.
- 25,840 children have enrolled in the Water Safety Awareness Program since 2003, with 78% of children completing all five sessions.
- There was a total of 2000 enrolments for July 2019 – June 2020 in the Water Safety Awareness Program with 13 Providers – Swim Schools
- Conducted 71 community events, providing a direct community benefit to over 139,547 people
- Maintained 29 Keep Watch Ambassadors and worked with all levels of Government to highlight the importance of water safety and preventing drowning
- 2428 Members, with 101 Voting Members

- Sport: 102 active pool lifesaving members, 4 Pool Lifesaving Carnivals, represented NT in the APLSC in Perth and placed 6th, conducted 20 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, 14 community events
- Maintained 10 Permanent staff, including 1 full-time position based in Alice Springs; 35 registered Trainers and 31 casual Swim Teachers.
- Sadly 9 people drowned in 2019.2020 year in the Northern Territory



Our Organisation

Our Purpose

To prevent drowning and injury in the community with an emphasis on the aquatic environment. We turn everyday people into community lifesavers.

Our Vision

To build a healthy, strong and safe aquatic community through water safety education and training.

Our Values

- Respect
- Quality
- Leadership
- Innovation

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. This meeting is open to all 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.



Royal Life Saving Northern Territory Board Members welcomed by Her Excellency Mrs Linda Hurley at Admiralty House in Sydney on 15th November 2019.

Our Board



Penny Hart

BA, Grad Dip in Teaching, Cert IV Governance & Risk

President

Background in swimming, teaching, governance and administration. Previous NT pool lifesaving as a sport team member.

Member of the Board 2013-2015, 2017-present



James Sheridan

B.Bus, MTechMgt(RiskMgt).

ANZIIF(AFF) CIP

Vice President

Risk management, strategic planning & governance Background

Elected to Board from 7/9/2018



Randall Cook

B.Ed., Grad Dip in Educational Mgmt.

Committee Member

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.



Joe De Luca

Bachelor of Business (Acc), Grad Dip Management, FCPA, JP.

Treasurer

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



Alice Doyle

BHealthSc, Grad Dip Teach, CIV Youth, CIV TAA and TAE Dip Auditing

Committee Member

Executive Board member of many sporting organisations, including responsibilities as Secretary, Treasurer /Returning Officer.

Member of Board from 16/3/2010



Rodney Cremona

B.Ed, AUSTSWIM TSW

Secretary

Ten years involvement in Royal Life Saving NT as a Trainer and Teacher

Member of Board from 2/9/2015



Belinda Lawton

BA (Hons); Master of Arts. Currently PhD candidate.

Committee Member

National Councillor Representative

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.



Annette Roberts

Dip MMT, Dip HR, WHS, Dip TAE, GAICD

Public Officer

Extensive experience in Aquatic Industry. Sport and management background

Member of Board from 12/7/2006



Sarah Dowd

LLB BA

Committee Member

15 years as a member, volunteer, competitor at various Pool Life Saving Championships, swimming teacher and coach.

Member of Board from 24/02/2020

Table 1: Record of Management Committee Meetings and Attendance

✓ Attended A Apology X Did not attend N/A – i.e not on Board at time S/L – Sick Leave
Meetings as per constitution 2019.2020

#	Date	Penny	Brad	Joe	Rod	Alice	Randall	Floss	Belinda	James	Sarah
1	26/8/2019	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	N/A
AGM	6/9/2019	✓	N/A	A	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	N/A
2	30/9/2019	✓	N/A	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	A	✓	N/A
3	4/11/2019	✓	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	N/A
4	2/12/2019	✓	N/A	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	N/A
5	24/2/2020	✓	N/A	✓	✓	A	A	✓	✓	✓	✓
6	30/3/2020	✓	N/A	A	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
7	20/4/2020-E	✓	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
8	27/4/2020	✓	N/A	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
9	14/5/2020-E	✓	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
10	25/5/2020	A	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
11	22/6/2020	✓	N/A	✓	✓	A	A	✓	✓	✓	A

Elected Position and notes:

- Belinda Lawton elected to position of National Director RLSSA 30/9/2019
- Penny Hart Chairperson/President
- James Sheridan Vice-Chairperson/Vice-President
- Sarah Dowd appointed to Board 24/2/2019
- Rod Cremona Secretary
- Joe De Luca Treasurer
- Randall Cook Staff Liaison and Mediator of grievances or disputes, as per section 58 of the constitution

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, 31 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.

Our Staff

Floss Roberts

Executive Director

Strategic Planning, Governance, Local, State and Federal

Government Representative, Community Engagement, Media, Marketing, RTO Compliance, WHS Compliance

Stephen Gazzola

Operations Manager

Manager Education, Programs & IAS 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

Laura Withers

Water Safety Unit Manager

Manage Water Safety Unit and Water Safety Awareness Program. Keep Watch, Infant Aquatics, Community Events, PBI, Sport Development

Rebecca Gawne

Training Manager

RTO Management, Training, AUSTSWIM, Membership

Monika Stenberg

Administration & HR Manager

Administration, Human resource Management, Finance, Merchandise

Jaz Cross

Programs Coordinator

Swim and Survive, School Programs, Sunday Lifesaving, Sport

Kate Conway

Training Officer and Aquatic Services

Tiarne Vella-Hunt

WSAP & Programs Officer

Deliver Water Safety Awareness Program, assist Programs and Training, Social Media & Community Events

Dianne Crisp

Community Development Officer Central Australia

Training, Programs, Sport and WSAP in Central Australia. Sport Development Officer

Cieran New

Community Development Officer

Inland Waterways Project, Remote Swim & Survive Officer



Royal Life Saving staff and Swim Teachers, Parap Pool July 2020

Membership

Royal Life Saving NT Membership Summary 2019/2020

A total of 2428 members contributed to the activities of the Society during 2019-20 period. Thank you to our Joint Patrons of the Society, Her Honour the Honourable Vicki O'Halloran and Mr Craig O'Halloran for their support and advocacy.

Table 2: Royal Life Saving NT Membership Summary 2018/2019

Voting Members

Membership Type	Number
Life	7
Individual	59
Trainer	35
Total	101

Non-voting Members

Membership Type	Number
Patron	2
Award	2009
Corporate	5
Pool Life Saving – Alice Springs	10
Pool Life Saving – Darwin	19
Friends of Lifesaving	260
Seniors	5
Schools	6
Swim & Survive Partners	11
Total	2327



Royal Life Saving NT Life Members

Kath Midgley
Fritz Risler
Randall Cook
Alister Lear
Jenny Verrall
Daphne Read
Kathy Curby (Dec)
Petina Franklin

Table 3: Summary of Royal Life Saving Northern Territory Members as at 30 June 2020

Total Members: 2428

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 71 community events at schools, shopping centres, parenting groups, remote communities and major Northern Territory events including Water Safety Week, Teddy Bears Picnic, Children's Week and the Defence Expo. In addition to these events, two new events were attended, Australia Day Family Fun 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 139,547 members of the community directly interacted with Royal Life Saving Northern Territory at these events. This is an 8% increase of Territorians engaged with water safety messages compared to last year. This is an outstanding result for 2019/20 and demonstrates the commitment and dedication of the volunteers of Royal Life Saving Northern Territory to drowning prevention in our community.

Over the past year many of the community events have involved promoting and educating families about the Be River Safe message and the Water Safety Awareness Program. These two programs are designed specifically to reduce drowning risks which affect all Territorians. 2019/20 has seen Royal Life Saving NT participate in the Show circuit once again. The circuit started off in Alice Springs and then continued to Tennant Creek, Katherine and finally Darwin. The Shows were fantastic opportunities for Royal Life Saving NT Staff and volunteers to directly connect with the community. Participation in all the Shows helped to raise the profile of the organisation and give the public an opportunity to understand what Royal Life Saving NT has to offer the community. Thank you to all the volunteers who were involved with the Show circuit and helped to make each Show a great success.



RLSSA NT 125th Celebration, Parap Pool December 2019



Alice Springs Show July 2019

Our Volunteers

Pool Lifesaving also benefitted from volunteer assistance throughout the year with Alister Lear continuing to support Darwin Pool Lifesaving. Liz Durnin continues to be a wonderful support for Pool Lifesaving fundraising in Alice Springs.

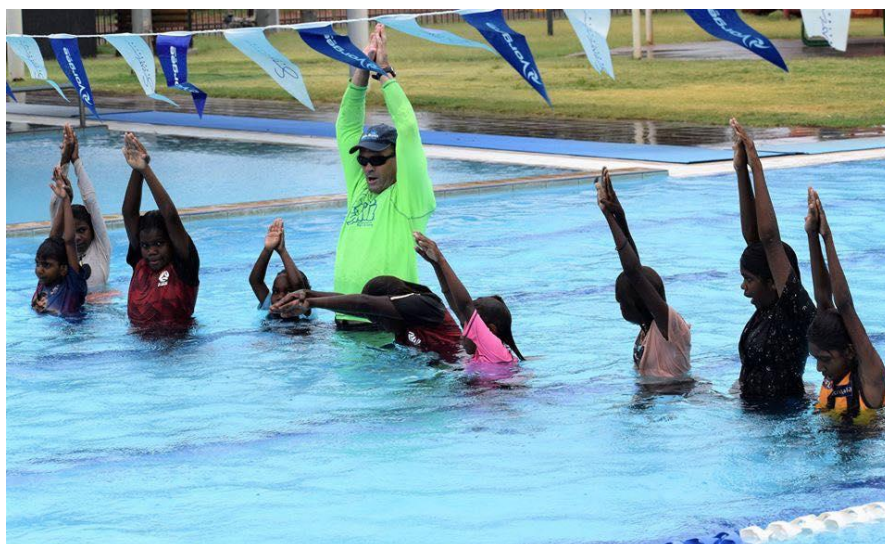
In addition to community events, board members also donated their time to provide strategic assistance; their time was dependant on their specific responsibilities. Over 100 hours were donated to the Organisation to ensure the operations plan aligned to the budget and strategic plan.

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 2019/20 Volunteer of the Year is awarded to Steve Whiteside. Steve has worked tirelessly in his role as a swim teacher and by providing support and guidance to the Executive Director.

Table 4: 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
2019/2020	Steve Whiteside



Steve Whiteside teaching the Swim, Survive & Strive Program,
Tennant Creek February 2020



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 Cieran New in recognition of her outstanding service to our lifesaving Community. Cieran’s positive and caring approach helps everyone from children to adults in their lifesaving journey.

Table 5: Trevor Cawthorne Memorial Award

2016/2017	Kate Dowd
2017/2018	Chloe Sein
2018/2019	Steve Whiteside
2019/2020	Cieran New



Cieran New with Mums & Bubs in Naiiyu Community, September 2019

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 2019-2020, 312 courses were conducted with 2159 Participants, 9333 certificates issued including 3646 Statements of attainment.

- 98 Participants trained in Pool Lifeguard
- 342 Participants trained in Bronze Medallion
- 457 Participants trained in First Aid
- 287 Participants trained in Resuscitation

Royal Life Saving NT is proud to support our Regional and Remote locations within the Northern Territory with 54.9% 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 15th Annual workshop was held on the 6th 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

Course Name	Number of Courses	Number of Participants
Advanced First Aid	0	0
Child Care first Aid	5	40
First Aid	19	140
Resuscitation Awareness	1	36
First Aid Online	37	277
Resuscitation	67	287
Resuscitation Reaccreditation	0	0
Accompanied Rescue	0	0
Bronze Star	4	41
Award of Merit	1	3
Bronze Cross	0	0
Bronze Medallion	49	365
Bronze Medallion Reaccreditation	41	253
Pool lifeguard	15	97
Pool Lifeguard Update	17	127
Aquatic Technical Operators	0	0
WorkShop	3	40
Sea Rangers Bronze Rescue Award	0	0
Hydro Therapy Rescue Award	4	47
Swimming Teacher Rescue Award	34	245
AUSTSWIM	15	161
Total	312	2159

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 2019-2020 is Pamela Dillon. “Dillon” is based in Tennant Creek and decided to become a trainer with Royal Life Saving NT after attending a Pool Lifeguard course in Tennant Creek and noticed that there was a real community demand for a locally based trainer. Dillon has been proactive within the Tennant Creek community in delivering first aid and Bronze Medallion training and spreading the water safety message. Well Done Dillon.

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
2019 / 2020	Pamela Dillon



Pamela Dillon at the Annual Trainer’s Workshop, September 2019

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.

The AFSA is made up of:

- Onsite Safety Inspection Checklist
- Safety Score
- Safety Improvement Plan
- Observation & Recommendations

In line with the Guidelines for Safe Pool Operation, the areas the AFSA covers are general operations, emergency procedures, record keeping, first aid, plant room operations and chemicals, facility design, supervision, programming and specific aquatic areas such as wave pools and diving towers.

The increased demands on facility managers to improve safety standards and keep abreast of industry best practice can be difficult and time consuming. Often, the skills required to assess and improve safety are not available internally, yet risk management is an essential tool for the successful and continued operation of an aquatic or leisure facility.

To assist facility managers, Royal Life Saving has introduced the Aquatic Facility Safety Assessment (AFSA) to provide best practice recommendations for public safety, management and operation of aquatic facilities. It is recommended that an AFSA is conducted at least annually.

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 2019/2020, RLSSA - NT conducted a total of 10 courses and 5 Professional Development session with 161 participants across the Northern Territory.

Royal Life Saving NT appreciates the continued support from AUSTSWIM Head Office, AUSTSWIM SA and other Business Centres.

2019-2020 Highlights

- 55 participants in the AUSTSWIM Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety Course
- 11 participants in the AUSTSWIM Teacher of Infants and Pre-schooler Aquatics
- 10 participants in the AUSTSWIM Teacher of Competitive Strokes
- 85 participants attending AUSTSWIM Professional Development workshop
- 40% of the course were delivered in Regional and Remote locations

AUSTSWIM 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 5th September 2019, 29th November 2019 and 19th March 2020

Table 8: AUSTSWIM Advisory Committee Members

AUSTSWIM SAC Member	Position
Petina Franklin	Chairperson Central Australia Representative
Annette (Floss) Roberts	Secretary RLSS Rep/National Councillor
Rebecca Johnson	Department of Education/ ACHPER
Samantha Farrow	SLS NT
Daniel Gerlach	Swim Dynamics Swim School/ Swim School member Access and Inclusion
Rebecca Gawne	RLSSA NT Rep Delivery agreement/ Secretary/ Training
Thomas Noblett	Swimming Northern Territory
Naomi Briggs	Alice Springs Aquatic Leisure Centre Representative
Abbi Gianoncelli	YMCA of the Northern Territory

Table 9: AUSTSWIM NT Course Statistics

Course Name	No of Courses	No of Participants
Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety	7	55
Teacher of Infants and Pre-school Aquatics	2	11
Teacher of Access and Inclusion	0	0
Teacher of Adults	0	8
Teacher of Towards Competitive Strokes	1	10
AUSTSWIM PD Workshop	5	85
AUSTSWIM WETS Aqua Instructors	0	0
Total delivered by AUSTSWIM NT	15	161

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 2019/2020 the number of rural and remote courses represented 40% 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.

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.

- **Training:** 44 courses were held with a total of 157 participants within Central Australia and included Bronze Medallion and updates, Pool Lifeguard and updates, First Aid, CPR, and Swimming Teacher Rescue Award.
Training volume has decreased, due to the cancellation of courses from March through to July, by approximately 48.35% from last reporting year.
- **WSU:** There were 235 enrolments for the WSAP in the region which was 11.75% of the vouchers issued in the program. Our Emergency Care sessions were conducted at the Alice Springs Public Library.
- **Education:** 14 Water Safety Education talks were conducted within the region reaching 1095 students. Sessions were delivered at preschools, primary schools and high schools.
- **IAS:** Swim, Survive and Strive programmes were delivered to 7 communities reaching 1166 students. With each visit a Pool Lifesaving carnival was held as part of the Swimming Carnival as a culmination of the lessons conducted.
- **Sport:** There are 10 active Pool Lifesaving members in Central Australia, with 5 new members and 5 returning. This is a decrease from 16 last year and an additional local coach is being secured to help stabilise the participation numbers.
- **Community Events:** Royal Life Saving NT was involved in 21 community events within Central Australia reaching over 29,355 people. These events have helped us to engage within the community and advertise the services offered by RLSSA NT within the red centre.



Alice Springs Show 2019



Great Grows Here Party Alice Springs

Table 10: Alice Springs WSAP Enrolments

2015/2016	182	7%
2016/2017	303	12%
2017/2018	301	7%
2018/2019	306	6.4%
2019/2020	235	11.75%

Table 11: Alice Springs Training Statistics

2015/2016	69 courses, Total 364 participants
2016/2017	50 courses, Total 243 participants
2017/2018	65 courses 324 participants
2018/2019	91 courses 453 participants
2019/2020	44 courses 157 participants

Table 12: Participation in Pool Lifesaving

2015/2016	52 participants
2016/2017	15 participants
2017/2018	39 participants
2018/2019	16 participants
2019/2020	10 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 12,272 children from urban, regional and remote Northern Territory participated in the Swim and Survive Program, an 7.3% 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 716 children reached an Active Award Level 4 or above, representing 5.8% of all participants. A 3.3% decrease 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. 84 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. Below is a table outlining participation by location:

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

Area	No. of Children 2017-18	No. of Children 2018-19	No. of Children 2019-20
DARWIN	5260	6730	4122
PALMERSTON	1943	1592	3346
ALICE SPRINGS	3990	2296	1882
KATHERINE	455	101	249
REMOTE	2090	2514	2673
TOTAL	13,738	13,233	12,272

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 5999 Government school students from 62 schools received certificates including 2438 Remote students.

This year also saw 204 students achieving a Swim and Survive Active Level 4 or above. This represents 3.42% of attending Government school students.

Swim and Survive Partner

Royal Life Saving NT are supported by the 20 Swim and Survive Partners and Schools that are recognised as a preferred deliverer of the Swim and Survive Program. This is 5 more than the previous year. Some long-standing partners 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.

Royal Life Saving NT would like to thank the new partners who have come on board to be a part of delivering a quality swimming and water safety program to Territory students. New partners include Top End Multisports, Accelerated Swimming and Performance, Carly's Swim Coach, Mirri Swim School and the Maningrida Swim School.

A highlight of the year was establishing two remote swim schools in Borroloola and Maningrida, run by indigenous people for indigenous people. These swim schools will deliver a program at their local facility each semester so students, who need it the most, are getting ongoing and consistent swimming and water safety lessons.

This year saw 3017 children participate in the Swim and Survive program through the 20 Swim and Survive Schools and Partners. An increase of 662 students on the previous year. This represents 25% 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 and aim to increase the benefits to our partners into the future.



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
Swim 4 Life NT
Henbury School Outreach Program
Carly Swim Coach
Marianne Swim School
Jabiru Swim School
Yulara Recreation Centre
Top End Multisports
Accelerated Swimming and Performance
Mirri Swim School
Maningrida Swim School

Table 15: Swim and Survive Partner – Schools

Henbury School
Katherine School of the Air
Yulara School
Mataranka School
Ludmilla Primary School
Batchelor Area School
Tennant Creek School

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 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 73 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 32 students participated in the VACSWIM intensive Swim and Survive Program.



Sunday Lifesaving certificate presentation, Nightcliff Pool March 2020

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.



Swim Teacher In-Service 2020

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

Congratulations to Gabrielle (Gabby) Sutton who has been recognised for her commitment to water safety and being an outstanding AUSTSWIM Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety. Gabby is one of Royal Life Saving NT's longest serving Team Leaders and continues to raise the bar to ensure children receive quality instruction. She always goes the extra mile to make sure her team are functioning at their highest level.

Table 16: Swim & Survive Teacher of the year

2016 / 2017	Brogen Barrington
2017 / 2018	Steph East
2018 / 2019	Laura Withers
2019 / 2020	Gabby Sutton



Gabby Sutton at the Adults Learn to Swim Program Parap Pool 2020

Swim My Way Fund

Developed by UNCLE TOBYS in partnership with the Royal Life Saving Society - Australia, SWIM MY WAY, is supporting a variety of swimming programs for Australians of all ages. It's designed to promote access and inclusion to get more Aussies active, having fun and growing their confidence in the water.



A massive thank you to UNCLE TOBYS and the Swim My Way fund for supporting the delivery of the Utopia's Water Safety excursion and Neutral Junction Swim & Survive program throughout the year. Both programs targeted indigenous students from remote communities who would normally miss out on learning vital swimming skills and water safety education. This is due to not being able to access safe swimming areas around their communities.

Royal Life Saving NT, in conjunction with Alice Springs Aquatic Leisure Centre, held a Water Safety Excursion for 16 indigenous students from Arlparra School. Held in September 2019, the students from years 4 to 6 made the 4 hour journey into Alice Springs to learn everything water safety. This intensive 3 day excursion included 8 sessions of the Swim & Survive Program, a Pool Lifesaving Carnival and the delivery of CPR awareness to all students. Working with our Swim & Survive Partner in Alice Springs, ASALC, we provided a safe, fun and well-structured water safety program to children who do not get exposure to safe aquatic environments. A local school provided free accommodation for participants and all food was purchased and prepared by Alice Springs Aquatic Leisure Centre, Thank-you. While the students were honing their skills the Centralian Advocate did a piece on the journey for a newspaper article while a professional photographer was there to document the fun times had by all.

The Neutral Junction Swim & Survive program saw 19 indigenous students from Neutral Junction and Ali Curung Schools visit Tennant Creek in March 2020. They all completed 9 Swim & Survive lessons, a CPR awareness course and competed in a Pool Lifesaving Carnival. Despite the weather being extremely poor, with heavy rain on the Monday & Tuesday. Even with cool weather and pool temperatures down to 25 degrees the students were troopers and continued on with their learning despite the challenges.



Utopia Water Safety Excursion, Alice Springs Aquatic & Leisure Centre November 2019



Neutral Junction Swim & Survive Program
Tennant Creek Pool March 2020

Swim for Integration Project

Through the Australian Governments Department of Social Services, the Swim for Integration Project was implemented in the Darwin and Palmerston communities. The project engaged migrants (new, first and second generation) in swimming and aquatics programs as a mechanism by which to facilitate integration into the life of their local community. Participants were from such countries as Zimbabwe, China, Vietnam & Nigeria.

With the support of the Melaleuca Refugee Centre we provided learn to swim and other aquatics programs for migrants. While also engaging with Darwin Middle School's English as a Second Language class.

The project was aimed at promoting participation, social inclusion and wellbeing, endorsing the local aquatic centres such as Casuarina and Palmerston Pools. Highlighting them as a focal point where families can have fun and socialise in a safe environment. An environment which they may have not felt comfortable with in the past.

Throughout the year, 10 Swim & Survive Programs were provided in Darwin & Palmerston for all age groups, from children to adults. Each program ranged from 5 to 8 sessions and were provided either in the afternoons or during the school holidays.

The program enabled 105 migrant participants to learn vital swimming and lifesaving skills with 41 adults and 64 students having fun in the water. During the program, participants were encouraged to bring their families to the aquatic facilities. It enabled them to make a social gathering at the pool while also learning vital lifesaving skills.

Skill development has been phenomenal for several people including a teenage boy recently arrived from a war zone has gone from being a non-swimmer to working towards his lifeguard qualifications. He still has a way to go but the improvement in his swimming skills, increased communication and confidence is inspiring to everyone within his community. He will continue to work towards his goals in the water.

A set of sisters in the children's Swim & Survive class progressed so much and had so much fun that their father, who had never been in a pool, joined the adult Swim & Survive class. Following his classes they stayed behind to all play and practice together.



Adults Learn to Swim Certificate Presentation

A lady participant who had never entered the water and was afraid to get her face wet is now doing survival backstroke. She has improved that much that she can do a full length of big & very deep pool.

The program allowed migrant families to participate in financially viable Swim & Survive lesson, these minority groups would normally miss out due to financial restraint. Learning vital lifesaving skills from a young age gives them a better chance to make positive decisions in the future, they are highly represented in the drowning data. Social gatherings make the pool a fun place to be for those families who would never normally attend.

To finish the 2019 year a certificate presentation was held at the Malak Community Centre in Darwin for the Melaleuca Refugee Centre on the 6th of December. Celebrating the great effort of all participants of the Swim for Integration Program. Around 300 people were in attendance. The participants felt honoured to be a part of the program and it demonstrated how swimming and water safety was a big part of being Australian.



Adults learning survival skills with Lifejackets

Australian Pool Lifesaving Championships 2020



The Australian Pool Lifesaving Championships 2020 (APLSC 2020) were held at HBF Stadium, Mount Claremont in WA from January 10th – 12th January 2020.

The championships were conducted in the indoor 50m competition pool of the stadium. For 2 of our Northern Territory athletes, this was a first-time experience at such an event. There were 200 pool lifesaving athletes competing from across Australia. The Northern Territory was able to register 1 full age group – NT Open female team into the championships.

Representing Northern Territory

Our NT team consisted of four athletes in total. Three from Darwin & one from Alice Springs.

Under 19's

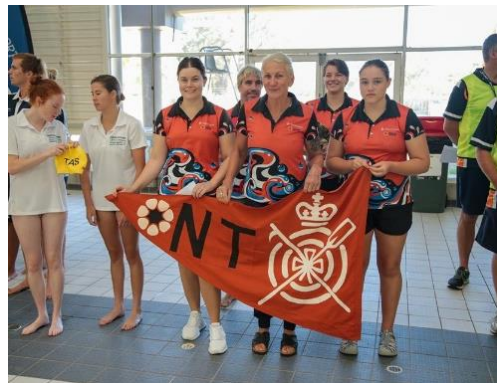
- Chloe Morton (Darwin) 2nd time.

Women's Open

- Gabrielle Sutton (Darwin) 1st time.

Women's Masters

- Kate Conway (Darwin) 1st time.
- Di Crisp (Alice Springs) 2nd time.



APLSC NT Team January 2020

Alister Lear travelled as Team Coach, Kate Conway as Team Manager, Floss Roberts and Laura Withers as Event Officials.

The team travelled from Darwin and Alice Springs, arriving in Perth on Wednesday 8th January.

A training session was held at the HBF stadium on Thursday 9th January. This enabled the team to get a feel for the pool and it also was an opportunity to meet and greet the other State/Territory representing teams.

Results

Each NT athlete did an amazing job competing and there were some great results in placing on the podium in competition events.

Northern Territory's Master competitors, Dianne Crisp and Kate Conway took the Championship award for their age category - Women's Over 30 (Conway) and Over 60 (Crisp) Individual Overall Championship. Kate and Dianne's performance throughout the championships was outstanding and they both placed with their nominated events.

1st Place – 100m Obstacles

1st Place – 100m Manikin Carry (Crisp)

1st Place – 100m Manikin Tow

1st Place – 50m Manikin Carry

Gabby and Chloe competed very well in the Women's Open division.

Chloe also competed in many of the events for her age group of Women's Under 19's.

Di, Gabby and Chloe also took on the challenging event of the 200m Super Life Saver and they all completed the strenuous event.



Kate Conway January 2020



NT Team Training January 2020



Dianne Crisp January 2020

Future

The sport development team will continue to progress the junior pool lifesaving squads in both Darwin and Alice Springs, with plans for a new development squad to be formed in Katherine and Tennant Creek. This will be done through the link between the Swim & Survive program and through an increased promotion of the sport. The junior development program is important to maintain to ensure the future of Pool Lifesaving as a sport. A survey was sent to parents for feedback on pool lifesaving training session in respect to the current day, time and venue, in hopes to establish improvements based the data. This was the 53rd Championship here in Australia and here in the NT we wish to continue the tradition of representing the Territory.

In 2021 the goal is to send a full squad to the APLSC in Canberra. Fundraising efforts for the APLSC 2020 were strong and the aim is to continue through-out this year to help make this possible.

Participation

Participation on pool deck in Darwin and Alice Springs remained steady. The Junior Development program is important to maintain to ensure the future of Pool Lifesaving as a sport. Pool Life Saving commenced the dry season training throughout June in both Darwin and Alice Springs.

The volunteer coaches are the lifeline 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 Jaz Cross.



Darwin Squad, Parap Pool 2020

NORTHERN TERRITORY POOL LIFE SAVING TEAM 2021

In 2021 the goal is to send a full squad to the APLSC in Canberra. Fundraising efforts have already started towards this. Another big thank you to the parents and athletes involved in fundraising events for 2020 and to Liz Durnin for coordinating the BBQ's in Alice Springs. Liz's hard work has been extremely valuable to the future of the sport. There was a wonderful 12hr Swim event held at the Alice Springs Leisure Centre and the Royal Life Saving team raised over \$800.00.

A big thank you goes to the Northern Territory team sponsors, Bali Rides. This amazing company has committed to 3 years of sponsorship to help get the Northern Territory team to the National Championships. Thank you for your support and generosity!

We are continually looking for new ways to fundraise &/or gain sponsorship, if you are interested in becoming a sponsor for our 2021 NT Pool Lifesaving Team please contact the Sports Development Officer in the Darwin Office.

Thank you to local NT business for their support in helping us fundraise during the past 12 months, with a special thanks to Bunnings for our BBQ fundraisers.



Pool Lifesaving in Sport and Recreation

The NT Government fund Royal Life Saving NT as a Sport Service 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 223 participants. Pool Life Saving carnivals were conducted in Darwin, Katherine, Tennant Creek and Alice Springs with 205 participants. Regional development programs were conducted in Daly River, Batchelor and Maningrida with 244 participants. The athlete development pathways assists opportunities from grass roots to National competitions and is valued by all Members.

Pool Lifesaving Regional and Remote

Pool Lifesaving carnivals were held in Katherine, Groote Island - Alyangula Area School, Alyangula - Angurugu School, Pirlangimpi - Pularumpi School, Daly River (Woolianna School), Yuendumu School, Ngukurr, Peppi School & Emu Point School, Areyonga School, Kintore, Mt Liebig & Yirrara Schools, Gunbalanya School, Santa Teresa School, Tennant Creek - Neutral Junction & Ali Curung Schools, Nhulunbuy - Yirrkala School.

Daly River Pool Lifesaving Carnival September 2019

The Swim, Survive, Strive program was conducted in Nauiyu Community in September 2019. 122 students participated in the Pool Lifesaving Carnival. The children of the community really enjoyed the competitive nature of the Pool Lifesaving Carnival and some natural talent was discovered through the carnival.



Nauiyu Pool Lifesaving Carnival 2020

Infant Aquatics

Little Royals Swim School

Darwin 2019/2020

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 2019-2020. Both the programs were conducted at Nightcliff Pool.

Additionally, a trial program was conducted through the dry season's month June, at Parap Pool.

The programs were very popular with mums, dads, grandparents, carers and of course the infants themselves.

108 children participated in the three programs; this is an 25% 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 Tiarne Vella-Hunt, Leanne Hardy and Gabby Sutton.



LRSS Certificate Presentation, Nightcliff March 2020

Katherine 2019/2020

Little Royals Swim School Katherine held two six-week programs during 2019/20. These programs were extremely popular with the families of Katherine. The programs were conducted at the Ibis Styles motel pool and the Katherine Town pool.

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



LRSS Katherine, Ibis Pool March 2020



LRSS Katherine Pool March 2020

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. This year was a very special one for Stephanie, as she was recognised at a national level and was awarded AUSTSWIM Infant and Preschool Teacher of the year.



Stephanie East with LRSS participants and AUSTSWIM Award, Katherine Pool March 2020

Batchelor 2019/2020

Little Royals Swim School Batchelor ran a 6-week swimming program in Term 1 2020. 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 a few new faces participated in the program.

22 children participated in the February - March 2020 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 Tiarne Vella-Hunt and Jaz Cross, our AUSTSWIM Infant Instructors who travelled from Darwin each week to deliver the fun program.



LRSS Batchelor Pool March 2020



LRSS Sign On Day Batchelor Pool February 2020

Access and Inclusion

Programs for People with Disabilities



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. 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. With 124 participants learning vital swimming and lifesaving skills. This is a significant increase of 53 more students than the previous year. Due to higher demand this year a third session was put in place following the first week. The program usually culminates with a modified swimming carnival that also includes students from other schools, although this year the carnival was not able to be held.

Adults

Royal Life Saving - NT continue to engage with our adult population through targeted programs in Darwin, Palmerston and Alice Springs. This year adults were targeted through the Swim for Integration Grant and through a self-funded Darwin adult program. This included both new Australians and adults who were looking to improve their swimming and lifesaving skills.

A total of 54 adults participate during the four programs held in October to December and February to March. Thanks to the Federal Government 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 certificate presentation
Casuarina Pool February 2020

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. By introducing them to the Grey Medallion program.

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 70 participants over the 5 weeks of the program. Along with 10 seniors completing their Grey Medallion award. Feedback from the program included:

“NEVER TOO YOUNG TO LEARN, NEVER TOO OLD TO START” “ENJOYED EVERY WEEK”



Cool Seniors NT Swim School August 2019

Our Water

Drowning Report

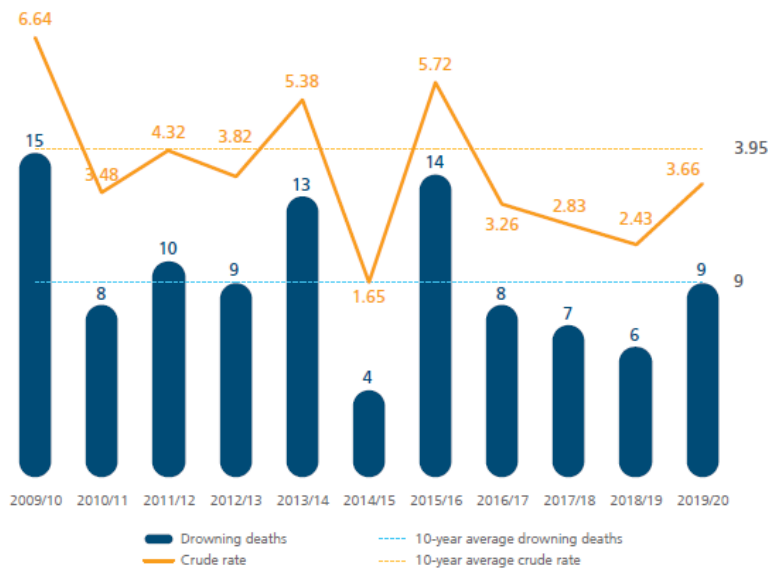
Sadly the NT maintains the highest drowning rate per capita in Australia with 9 drowning deaths recorded in the 2019-2020 period.

NORTHERN TERRITORY

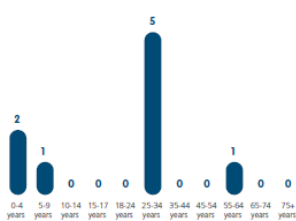


67% of those who drowned in the Northern Territory were male

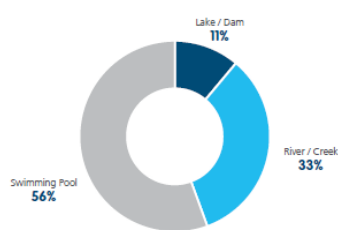
Drowning deaths and death rates in the Northern Territory from 2009/10 to 2019/20 and the 10-year average



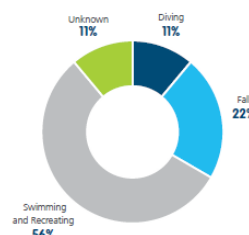
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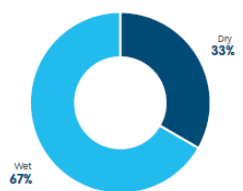
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Activity



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Northern Territory Government Water Safety Unit

Northern Territory Water Safety Advisory Council 2019/2020

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 3rd September 2019, 3rd December 2019, 3rd March 2020 and 2nd June 2020.

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.

Organisation
Amateur Fisherman's Association of the NT
Australian Volunteer Coast Guard
Department of Education
NT Health
Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics – Pool Fencing Unit
Department of Tourism and Culture – Sport & Active Recreation
Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics – Marine Safety
Kidsafe NT
Local Government Association of the NT
Local Government Association of the NT – Remote appointment
Northern Territory Water Police
Department of Tourism and Culture – Parks & Wildlife
Royal Life Saving Society NT Branch
Somerville Community Service
Surf Life Saving NT
Tourism NT
Water Safety Unit



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 2020, 26,097 children have enrolled in the Program; and of those children, 78.1% 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 2000 Enrolments for July 2019 – June 2020 were received with an 78% 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.

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 2019-2020 thirteen swim schools across the Northern Territory provided the Water Safety Awareness Program.

SESSION PROVIDERS 2019/2020
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
Carly Swim Coach - Darwin
Splash Splash Mobile Swim School - Darwin
Accelerated Swimming and Performance - Darwin
Travelling Tadpole Swim School - Nhulunbuy
YMCA of the NT – Palmerston, Parap & Nightcliff
Top End Multi Sport Swim School - Darwin
Emily Raines Mobile Swim School

Provider's Workshop

The annual Provider's Workshop was held in Darwin on the 3rd September at the Trailer Boat Club, Conference Room. Four 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 NAPCAN and the Department of Health - Office of the Chief Nurse and Midwife, for providing such informative presentations.



Provider of the Year

The Water Safety Awareness Program Provider of the Year 2019/2020 is The Goldfish Bowl Swim School – Palmerston. The Goldfish Bowl 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 to The Goldfish Bowl team!



Goldfishbowl Swim School

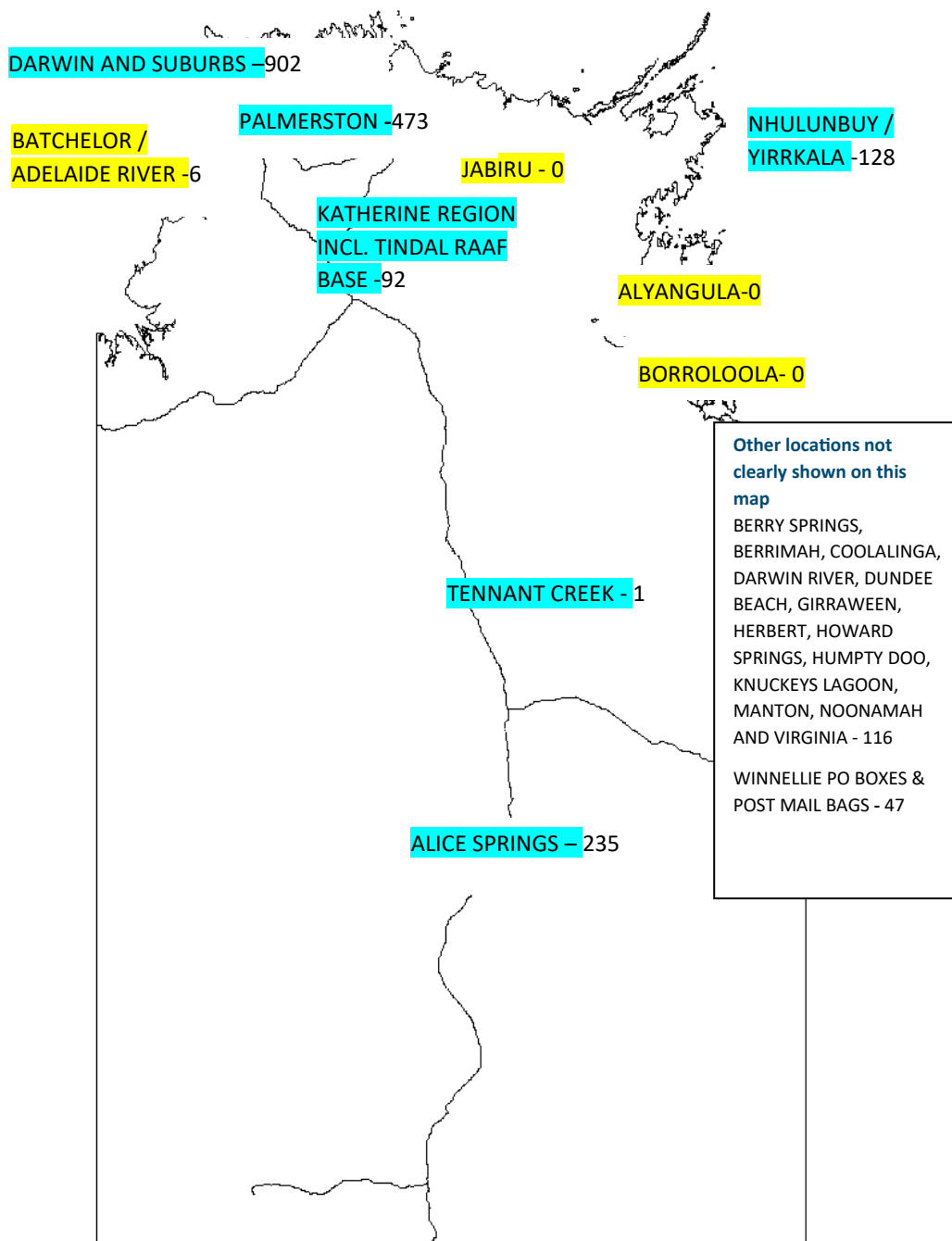
"Where the Water is Warm and the Teachers are Cool"

Remote Access

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 Nhulunbuy, Pirlangimpi, Kintore, Yuendumu, Ngukurr & Areyonga.

Water Safety Awareness Program: Total 26,097 children registered

A partnership between the NT Government and Royal Life Saving Society (Australia) NT Branch



Water Safety Week 2019

Water Safety Week 2019 was conducted from 22 - 28 September, featuring a varied program of events and activities throughout the Northern Territory (NT). The slogan for Water Safety Week 2019 was 'SPLASH, PLAY, SURVIVE'. 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 WSW19 and took place from 9:00am – 12:00pm on Sunday 22 September at the Darwin Waterfront Precinct. 'Splashfest' was the opening event this year. Approximately 3250 people attended. Minister Paul Kirby attended Splashfest and enjoyed the stalls and information on display.

There were 12 events and activities on the official 2019 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 with aquatic activities and a BBQ held at Parap Pool, hosted by Royal Life Saving Society.
- Library visits with Boof the Barra to all City of Darwin libraries were well supported by the community and Library Staff
- Splashfest held at the Darwin Waterfront, hosted by the Northern Territory Government.



- Aquafest held at the Palmerston Aquatic & Leisure Centre hosted by the YMCA and the City of Palmerston

An estimated 10,000 Territorians received water safety messages throughout Water Safety Week in 2019.



Splashfest Darwin Waterfront September 2019

Pipes and Drains Campaign 2019/2020

The Pipes and Drains campaign was launched on 1st December 2019. The same campaign was used as the previous year as the new “shock” campaign had proven to be successful.

The television and social media campaign were managed by Royal Life Saving NT, along with 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. 11 schools participated in the education sessions which reached 1294 students. In addition to this, 5 community events were attended which directly targeted the Pipes & Drains message with an estimated reach over 10,000 members of the community. Channel 10 aired the Pipes and Drains TVC from February 2020 – April 2020. 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



Boof at Jingili Pre School March 2020



Students from Moulden Park Primary 2019

Water Safety Talks in Schools 2019/2020

During 2019 - 2020, 45 schools were visited by the Water Safety Unit to deliver water safety talks to 5787 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 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.

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 OAM MP, Member for Solomon

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

Senator Malarndirri McCarthy

Mr Scott McConnell MLA, Member for Stuart

Hon. Kezia Purick MLA, Member for Goyder
Senator Sam McMahon

Hon. Warren Snowdon MP, Lingiari

Ms Kate Worden MLA, Member for Sanderson

Mr Jeff Collins MLA, Member for Fong Lim

Mr Joel Bowden 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

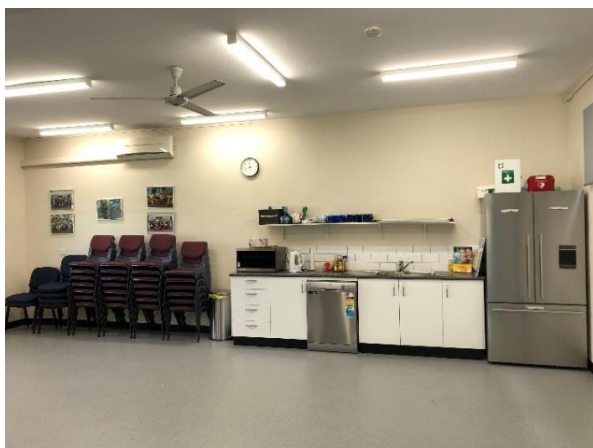
Grants

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
IAS Prime Minister & Cabinet	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
NT Department Tourism & Culture – Sport & Recreation	Management of the Water Safety Unit including the Water Safety Awareness Program
NT Department Tourism & Culture – Sport & Recreation	Support for providing opportunities for Territorians to participate in sport and active recreation.
NT Department of Education	Certificates recognising the achievements of children in the Swim and Survive program
RLSSA – National	Inland Waterways – River Safety Project Swim & Survive for children who miss out Swim & Survive Fund
AUSTSWIM	Sub agency Grant and Support to provide AUSTSWIM in regional and remote communities
Office Senior Territorians	Cool Seniors Program for Seniors Month in August
CBF Grant	Major grant for Aquatic Education & Learning Centre improvements
Department Trade Business Innovation	Training Infrastructure Grant Matched funding to Purchase Q-CPR manikins and Smartboards
Business Survival Fund	Covid-19 financial support
ATO Cashflow Boost	Federal support Covid-19
ATO JobKeeper	Support for 10 permanent staff and 5 casual staff to maintain employment during Covid-19. Royal Life Saving NT matched 5 casual staff who were not eligible for JobKeeper to stay employed
Water Wellbeing Program	10 week water and dry land exercise program delivered on-line to help people during lockdown and can be used to maintain your fitness & wellbeing
Online Accreditation	Funding support for staff and members to receive first aid and pool lifesaving accreditation on-line

CBF Major Grant

On the 9th April 2019 Royal Life Saving NT were successful in receiving the Community Benefit Fund Major Grant to upgrade the RLSSA Office building. The renovations were made to the downstairs training room to provide a suitable space to deliver training courses and a new comfortable meeting space for our members, participants and members to use in a professional environment. A concrete ramp and wide doors were also installed to make this room easily accessible for all. This new room is now called "Our Meeting Place". Renovations were also made to the training storage room to provide washer and dryer facilities. The front garden has been reticulated and solar put on the roof. The carport has been sectioned and enclosed for shelter and shade has been placed along the building to help protect children and families when they are doing Royal Life Saving NT programs and events. WE are so very grateful for this grant that has helped establish our Aquatic Education & Learning Centre.



Upgrades to the OMP Room and Meeting Room

Covid-19

On the 12th March 2020 Royal Life Saving NT conducted a risk assessment in line of the escalating Covid-19 pandemic. Travel to remote communities ceased on the 16th March and all programs and services ceased from 20th March, including cancelling 6 Primary school programs.

Covid-19 pushed us into another level. This was a time of uncertainty and anxiety and after a long pause we used this time to rest, reflect and re-set our lives and workplace.

We

realised our values kept us strong and we practiced more kindness and gratitude and we

transformed into action and innovation.

The Federal Government Cashflow Boost and JobKeeper enabled us to have 15 people maintain employment and we supported a further 5 staff who were not eligible for JobKeeper. This provided time for innovation, business improvements and renovations for our Head Quarters.

The NT Government Business Survival Fund, Immediate Works Grant, Stimulus Grants and support during this time was our Lifesaver. The communication and leadership that was provided from Minister Moss, driven by Philip Leslie and his Team was outstanding.

“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

- 3068 people participate in the Remote Swim, Survive & Strive Project, 782 less than the previous year
- 33 remote schools accessed the program, 3 more than the previous year
- Teams visited 20 remote communities
- 33 indigenous people gained employment as a direct result of the project, the same as the previous year
- 1804 students participated in Swim and Survive, 265 less than the previous year
- 3 students achieved a Bronze Star through Swim and Survive Program from Nyangatjatjara College located in the Central desert community of Mutitjulu – the highest award achieved this year
- 103 students achieved the national swimming and water safety benchmark of a level four and above, 52 less than the previous year
- 369 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. 86 more than the previous year.
- 23 indigenous Rangers from Peppimenarti, Maningrida, Galiwinku and Milingimbi have participated in the Swim, Survive & Strive Project, 30 less 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 Tennant Creek, Borroloola & Baniyala 10 people completed their AUSTSIM Teacher of Swimming & Water Safety award while 5 others continue to work towards the completion of their qualification.



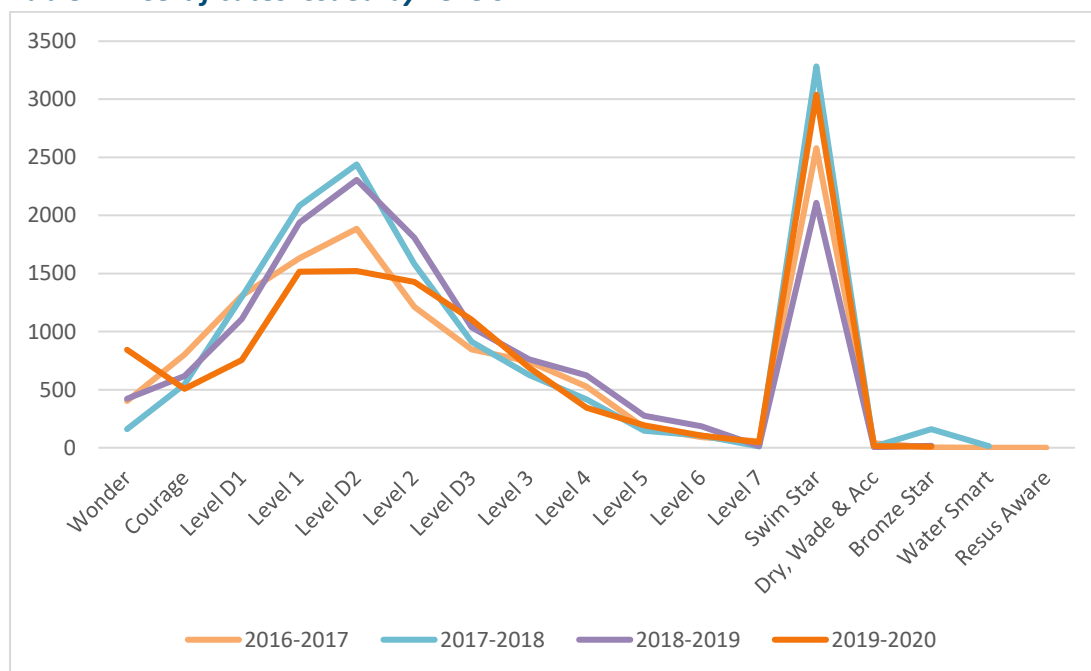
In many communities a barbeque is hosted at the pool during one afternoon. During this time we conduct a Pool Lifesaving Carnival to introduce the sport to community members. This year 839 indigenous youth participated in a Pool Lifesaving Carnival in their community. The sport and BBQ is provided for 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.

Barkly Bush Swimming Carnival, Tennant Creek Pool
September 2019

Swim & Survive

1804 students participated in Remote Swim & Survive across the Northern Territory. 265 students less than the previous funding year. 103 students achieved the National Water Safety Council benchmark of a level 4 or above during this financial year. 52 less than the previous year.

Table 17: Certificates Issued by Levels



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 90 indigenous people who are currently employed within their community and received ongoing professional development. 369 students and adults completed a range of training through the project.

23 Sea Rangers from Baniyala & Maningrida took part in the project. Working with each individual ranger group we have developed training plans to cater to their goals and objectives. Junior Sea Rangers from Baniyala travelled to Nhulunbuy to upskill in resuscitation and can 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 11 students to continue their learning in maritime navigation and the ability to gain workplace skills in the maritime industry this also included them receiving their First Aid certificates which is vital for employment into the future.



Maningrida School Rangers First Aid Training, March 2020

The Year's Highlight

On February 11th, 2019 the first Swim & Survive lesson was delivered by indigenous people, for indigenous people. The Mirri Swim School, located in Borroloola was established from an ongoing need for constant teaching of swimming and water safety in their community. Since then, 2 programs have been completed with outstanding results. The Mirri Swim School, had around 150 students participated each semester. At the end of 2019 an AUSTSWIM Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety course was held in Borroloola. Upskilling 7 local indigenous swim teachers, employed by Roper Gulf Regional. The swim school now has more swim teachers to educate more students safely and expand their personal development. Mirri Swim School focuses on not only swimming but on water safety and survival in and around water, with ages ranging from 18 months to 18 years. Working closely with Swim School, the Remote Swim, Survive & Strive Program held a pivotal role in its development. Now holding a mentoring position. The project continues a clear line of communication between all stakeholders, including the Borroloola School and Roper Gulf Regional Council to ensure the biannual program runs smoothly.

In the 2020 school year senior students at Borroloola School now can enrol in a Pool Lifeguard course through its curriculum. Allowing for career development and an opportunity to gain vital on the job skills. While also being able to work towards their NTECT. The Remote Swim, Survive & Strive Program holds a vital role in the success of this execution. We will provide content and a mentoring role to all involved and a sound board for any issues that arise. We will also provide the final sign offs of the student's qualification.

The Mirri Swim School was a positive pilot program for future Swim Schools. Maningrida Swim School, located in Maningrida. Has completed its first programming in community. On the 19th of February 2020 the Maningrida provided its first lesson to the local school students. Through the development of the local pool manager and local indigenous pool lifeguards the swim school has finally gotten off the ground, after long standing communication with West Arnhem Council. The program ran for an intensive 3-weeks, with Maningrida CEC students at their local pool. This was then extended to another 3-week program to the younger students. But was unfortunately cut short. Like Borroloola the project will hold a mentoring role between the pool staff and school, with future plans to increase the number of students and duration of the program in semester 2, 2020.

Looking into the project's future, the next Swim Schools aim to be set up in the Central Desert community of Kintore and the Tiwi Island communities of Pirlangimpi & Wurrumiyanga.



Maningrida Swim School, March 2020

Inland Waterways and Drowning Prevention Program

The Respect the River and 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.

Highlights included:

- Zero drowning deaths in the Katherine River reported
- Engaged with over 80,000 people across 14 community events
- Collected 301 surveys
- Established 239 new memberships through Friends of Lifesaving members
- 121 people participated in the 2 minute CPR challenge

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.



The program also reached out to males to look after each other and “make the right call” when they are in, on and around water.



Royal Life Saving urges men to 'make the right call'

to look after their mates to keep each other safe.

Royal Life Saving NT in the media

Throughout 2019/2020 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 Katie Wolf was awarded the NT Media Award for her outstanding lead on pool entry fee increase and promoting water safety through radio and events

Table 18: Royal Life Saving NT Media Award for making a difference in Lifesaving

Media Award for making a difference for Lifesaving	
2014 / 2015	Kathleen Bruyn
2015 / 2016	Alice Burton
2016 / 2017	Dijana Damjanovic
2017/2018	Amy Hetherington
2018/2019	Monique Sharp
2019/2020	Katie Wolf

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.



@RoyalLifeSavingNT
@WaterSafetyNT
#watersafetynt #beriversafe

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	2015/2016	2016/2017	2017/2018	2018/2019	2019/2020
Award of Merit	6	6	4	4	3
Bronze Cross	6	6	4	2	0
Bronze Star	48	67	47	20	41
Bronze Medallion	371	320	385	358	301
Bronze Medallion Update	234	243	254	260	226
Bronze Medallion with Reasonable adjustment	0	0	12	9	0
Resuscitation	1157	1608	1828	1879	1483
Resuscitation Update	346	36	6	9	0
Resuscitation Awareness	83	95	165	26	36
Defibrillation Awareness	1457	1644	1826	1879	2645
Oxygen Resuscitation	93	87	102	148	74
Oxygen Resus Update	121	112	106	122	113
Basic First Aid	0	0	0	0	35
First Aid	390	435	521	402	414
Child Care First Aid	17	35	42	52	35
Advanced First Aid	0	0	24	0	0
Pool Lifeguard	92	86	102	148	78
Pool Lifeguard Update	121	112	106	122	113
Swimming Teacher Rescue Award	259	212	228	272	186
Sea Rangers Bronze Rescue Award	11	6	0	0	0
Instructor Award	0	0	0	0	0
Examiner	0	0	0	0	0
Trainers	5	3	4	6	3
Pool Operators	34	0	30	21	0
SISCAQU202A	358	16	0	0	0
SISCAQU002	11	528	907	948	790
SRCAQU006A	0	0	0	0	0
SRCAQU006B	0	0	0	0	0
SISCAQU306A	53	0	0	0	0
SISCAQU006	11	129	240	299	224
SISCAQU318	53	0	0	0	0
SISCAQU007	11	129	225	264	199
PUAEME001B	11	0	240	300	210
PUAEME001					15
PUAEME003C	11	129	240	300	210
PUAEME003					15
SISCAQU201A	26	0	0	0	0
SISCAQU001	9	0	30	22	0
SISCAQU303A	26	0	0	0	0
SISCAQU003	9	0	30	21	0
SISCAQU304A	26	0	0	0	0
SISCAQU004	9	0	30	22	0
SISCAQU005	9	0	30	22	0
BSBRK401	9	0	30	21	0
HLTAID001	1087	1455	1573	1656	1268
HLTAID002	17	0	66	52	36
HLTAID003	386	448	777	706	643
HLTAID004	17	47	66	52	36
HLTAID006	0	0	24	0	0
HLTAID007	53	0	24	0	0
AUSTSWIM	113	125	141	156	161
Total Training Certificates	7166	8126	10469	10580	9333

Swim and Survive Schools

No.	School	No. students	No.	School	No. students
1	Alawa Primary	116	45	Woolianna School (Naiyu Nambiyu)	60
2	Anula Primary	253	46	Maningrida CEC	135
3	Jingili Primary	214	47	Mutitjulu School	22
4	Karama Primary	210	48	Angurugu School	43
5	Larrakeyah Primary	408	49	Umbakumba School	22
6	Ludmilla Preschool	16	50	Elliott School	4
7	Ludmilla Primary	32	51	Gunbalunya School	122
8	Moil Primary	36	52	Borroloola School	155
9	Nakara Primary	301	53	Yirrkala School	80
10	Nightcliff Preschool	75	54	Ltyentye Apurte Catholic School (Santa Teresa)	90
11	Parap Primary	195	55	Marrara Christian	155
12	Wagaman Primary	111	56	St Francis of Assisi School	42
13	Wanguri Preschool	81	57	Alyangula School	160
14	Wulagi Primary	345	58	Nganambala School (Emu Point)	23
15	Bakewell Primary	277	59	Milkwood Steiner School	71
16	Girraween Primary	218	60	Good Shepard Howard Springs	126
17	Gray Primary	177	61	Good Shepard Palmerston	76
18	Woodroffe Primary	33	62	Sattler Christian School	71
19	Gillen Primary	181	63	Mother Teresa Catholic Primary School	168
20	Holy Family Primary	235	64	Palmerston Christian	235
21	Holy Spirit Primary	208	65	Durack Early Childhood & Preschool Centre	22
22	School of the Air – Alice Springs	54	66	Bradshaw School	173
23	Kintore Street School	46	67	Haasts Bluff School	4
24	Adelaide River School	35	68	Stirling School	6
25	Batchelor Area School	72	69	Alekarenge School (Ali Curung)	9
26	Ngangatjatjara College	11	70	Neutral Junction School	10
27	St Francis Xavier School (Naiyu Nambiyu)	41	71	Arlparra School	16
28	Araluen Christian	179	72	Jabiru Area School	163
29	Steiner School – Alice Springs	123	73	Watiyawanu School (Mount Liebig)	12
30	Living Waters Lutheran School	119	74	Lajamanu School	72
31	Our Lady of the Sacred Heart – Bath St	147	75	Rockhampton Downs School	9
32	Walungurru School - Kintore	35	76	Canteen Creek School	4
33	Ngukurr CEC	172	77	Darwin High School	12
34	Areyonga School	35	78	Yulara School	22
35	Yuendumu School	99	79	Baniyala Garrangali School	17
36	Mount Allan School	40	80	Nawarddeken Academy (Gunbalunya Homelands)	10
37	Urapunga School	22	81	Yirara Collage	8
38	Kalkaringi School	104	82	Sadadeen Primary	170
39	Ntaria School (Hermannsburg)	94	83	Jingili Preschool	38
40	Peppimenarti School	30	84	Henbury School	9
41	Pularumpi School (Pirlangimpi)	36			
42	Milikapati School	44			
43	Tiwi College	17			
44	Tennant Creek Primary School	250			

Swim and Survive – Certificates Issued

Certificate Type	2014/15	2014/15 Remote	2015/16	2015/16 Remote	2016/17	2016/17 Remote	2017/18	2017/18 Remote	2018/19	2018/19 Remote	2019/20	2019/20 Remote
Wonder Awards Total (Infant Aquatics)	392		343		402	0	159	0	421	0	848	0
Courage Awards Total	756	154	614	224	591	212	448	192	470	73	513	101
Developing Water Discovery -D1	980	349	905	258	897	441	1078	219	846	262	513	242
Water Discovery - L1	1495	517	1340	436	1263	369	1686	362	1570	368	1274	245
Developing Water Awareness - D2	1842	559	1659	555	1471	414	2019	420	1784	522	1212	317
Water Awareness - L2	1278	408	1217	385	964	248	1243	339	1415	394	1041	389
Developing Water Sense - D3	835	398	872	300	668	178	728	183	730	307	809	295
Water Sense - L3	634	305	536	215	479	263	489	137	554	208	535	162
Water Wise - L4	389	140	318	118	267	260	294	122	475	149	259	87
Junior Swim and Survive - L5	167	33	142	25	145	29	141	5	259	18	166	29
Swim and Survive - L6	65	17	62	10	80	12	103	2	181	3	106	2
Senior Swim and Survive - L7	43	1	65	10	54	0	11	0	14	1	49	0
Swim Star Participation	1914	253	2525	207	2455	124	3237	192	2003	2142	2333	716
Dry/Wade/Accompanied Rescue	19	1	11	10	26	12	12	11	5	2	17	0
Bronze Star	26	4	4	0	2	0	0	0	15	5	1	9
Water Smart	161	0	3	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Resus Awareness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Junior Instructor Award	3	0	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Junior Lifeguard Club	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Swim and Survive Awards	10996		10619		9736		11648	2090	10742	2451	9678	2594
Swim & Survive Level 4 & Above	664	191	587	163	546	301	561	140	1123	178	590	127
Remote Swim and Survive Statistics	3139		2753		2562							
Total Swim and Survive Certificates	14135		13372		12298		11648	2090	1123	178	9678	2594
Total Participants Swim and Survive	14135		13372		12298		13738		13193		12272	

Audited Financial Reports

Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc.

Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2020

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 2020

The committee members present their report on Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc. for the financial year ended 30 June 2020.

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:

Names	Position	Appointed/Resigned
Penny Hart	President	Member for full year
James Sheridan	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
Sarah Dowd	Committee member	Appointed 24 February 2020
Annette Roberts	Public Officer	Member for full year
Bradley Mortimer	Committee member	Resigned 6 September 2019

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 \$ 258,371 (2019: \$ 172,191).

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

President:


Penny Hart

Treasurer:


Joe De Luca

Dated

28/8/2020



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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 Management Committee 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 2020, 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

31 August 2020

Liability limited by a scheme approved under Professional Standards Legislation

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 2020

	2020	2019
Note	\$	\$
Revenue	1,758,709	1,864,843
Finance income	9,362	3,872
Other income	258,696	28,069
Employee benefits expense	(1,084,481)	(991,308)
Depreciation and amortisation expense	(56,625)	(24,559)
Program expenses	(92,852)	(103,011)
Course expenses	(62,208)	(85,705)
Travel expenses	(134,765)	(164,069)
Motor vehicle expenses	(26,927)	(28,695)
Other expenses	(304,363)	(327,246)
Finance expenses	(6,175)	-
Profit for the year	258,371	172,191
Total comprehensive income for the year	258,371	172,191

The Association has initially applied AASB 15 and AASB 1058 using the cumulative effect method and has not restated comparatives. The comparatives have been prepared using AASB 111, AASB 118, AASB 1004 and related interpretations.

The Association has initially applied AASB 16 using the cumulative effect method and has not restated comparatives. The comparatives have been prepared using AASB 117 and related interpretations.

Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc.

Statement of Financial Position

30 June 2020

	Note	2020 \$	2019 \$
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	5	972,782	834,320
Trade and other receivables	6	140,684	111,053
Other assets	8	30,233	12,612
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		<u>1,143,699</u>	957,985
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	7	287,951	150,350
Right-of-use assets	9	134,106	-
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		<u>422,057</u>	150,350
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>1,565,756</u>	<u>1,108,335</u>
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	10	68,689	71,726
Borrowings		33,838	28,331
Lease liabilities	9	28,898	-
Employee benefits	11	129,530	116,346
Other financial liabilities	12	126,075	2,000
Other liabilities	13	16,500	90,516
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>403,530</u>	308,919
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Lease liabilities	9	108,255	-
Employee benefits	11	18,465	22,281
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>126,720</u>	22,281
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>530,250</u>	331,200
NET ASSETS		<u>1,035,506</u>	<u>777,135</u>
EQUITY			
Reserves	14	690,000	530,000
Retained earnings		345,506	247,135
TOTAL EQUITY		<u>1,035,506</u>	<u>777,135</u>

The Association has initially applied AASB 15 and AASB 1058 using the cumulative effect method and has not restated comparatives. The comparatives have been prepared using AASB 111, AASB 118, AASB 1004 and related interpretations.

The Association has initially applied AASB 16 using the cumulative effect method and has not restated comparatives. The comparatives have been prepared using AASB 117 and related interpretations.

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc.

Statement of Changes in Equity
For the Year Ended 30 June 2020

2020

	Retained Earnings	General Reserve	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Balance at 1 July 2019	247,135	530,000	777,135
Net profit for the year	258,371	-	258,371
Transfers from retained earnings to general reserve	(160,000)	160,000	-
Balance at 30 June 2020	345,506	690,000	1,035,506

2019

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

The Association has initially applied AASB 15 and AASB 1058 using the cumulative effect method and has not restated comparatives. The comparatives have been prepared using AASB 111, AASB 118, AASB 1004 and related interpretations.

The Association has initially applied AASB 16 using the cumulative effect method and has not restated comparatives. The comparatives have been prepared using AASB 117 and related interpretations.

Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc.

Statement of Cash Flows
For the Year Ended 30 June 2020

	2020	2019
Note	\$	\$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Receipts from customers	670,219	717,441
Payments to suppliers and employees	(1,690,237)	(1,650,966)
Donations received	80	1,043
Interest received	10,416	2,818
Receipt from grants	1,188,254	1,141,940
Government stimulus funding	135,000	-
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	17 <u>313,732</u>	<u>212,276</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Proceeds from sale of plant and equipment	15,909	11,818
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(172,307)	(79,415)
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities	<u>(156,398)</u>	<u>(67,597)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Payment of finance lease liabilities	(18,872)	-
Net cash provided by/(used in) financing activities	<u>(18,872)</u>	-
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents held	138,462	144,679
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	834,320	689,641
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	5 <u>972,782</u>	<u>834,320</u>

The Association has initially applied AASB 15 and AASB 1058 using the cumulative effect method and has not restated comparatives. The comparatives have been prepared using AASB 111, AASB 118, AASB 1004 and related interpretations.

The Association has initially applied AASB 16 using the cumulative effect method and has not restated comparatives. The comparatives have been prepared using AASB 117 and related interpretations.

Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc.

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2020

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

Revenue from Contracts with Customers - Adoption of AASB 15

The Association has adopted AASB 15 *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* and AASB 1058 *Income of Not-for-Profit Entities* for the first time in the current year with a date of initial application of 1 July 2019.

The Association has applied AASB 15 and AASB 1058 using the cumulative effect method which means the comparative information has not been restated and continues to be reported under AASB 111, AASB 118, AASB 1004 and related interpretations. All adjustments on adoption of AASB 15 and AASB 1058 have been taken to retained earnings at 1 July 2019.

The key changes to the Association's accounting policies and the impact on these financial statements from applying AASB 15 and AASB 1058 are described below.

Leases - Adoption of AASB 16

The Association has adopted AASB 16 *Leases* using the modified retrospective (cumulative catch-up) method from 1 July 2019 and therefore the comparative information for the year ended 30 June 2019 has not been restated and has been prepared in accordance with AASB 117 *Leases* and associated Accounting Interpretations.

Impact of adoption of AASB 16

The impact of adopting AASB 16 is described below:

Association as a lessee

Under AASB 117, the Association assessed whether leases were operating or finance leases based on its assessment of whether the significant risks and rewards of ownership had been transferred to the Association or remained with the lessor. Under AASB 16, there is no differentiation between finance and operating leases for the lessee and therefore all leases which meet the definition of a lease are recognised on the statement of financial position (except for short-term leases and leases of low value assets).

The Association has elected to use the exception to lease accounting for short-term leases and leases of low value

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2020

2 Change in Accounting Policy

Leases - Adoption of AASB 16

Impact of adoption of AASB 16

assets, and the lease expense relating to these leases are recognised in the income statement on a straight line basis.

Practical expedients used on transition

AASB 16 includes a number of practical expedients which can be used on transition, the Association has used the following expedients:

- contracts which had previously been assessed as not containing leases under AASB 117 were not re-assessed on transition to AASB 16;
- lease liabilities have been discounted using the Association's incremental borrowing rate at 1 July 2019;
- right-of-use assets at 1 July 2019 have been measured at an amount equal to the lease liability adjusted by the amount of any prepaid or accrued lease payments;
- a single discount rate was applied to all leases with similar characteristics;
- the right-of-use asset was adjusted by the existing onerous lease provision (where relevant) at 30 June 2019 rather than perform impairment testing of the right-of-use asset;
- excluded leases with an expiry date prior to 30 June 2020 from the statement of financial position and lease expenses for these leases have been recorded on a straight-line basis over the remaining term;
- used hindsight when determining the lease term if the contract contains options to extend or terminate the lease;
- for leases which were classified as finance leases under AASB 117, the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset and the lease liability at 1 July 2019 are the same value as the leased asset and liability on 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) Revenue and other income

For comparative year

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.

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For the Year Ended 30 June 2020

3 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(b) Revenue and other income

Revenue from contracts with customers

For current year

The core principle of AASB 15 is that revenue is recognised on a basis that reflects the transfer of promised goods or services to customers at an amount that reflects the consideration the Association expects to receive in exchange for those goods or services. Revenue is recognised by applying a five-step model as follows:

1. Identify the contract with the customer
2. Identify the performance obligations
3. Determine the transaction price
4. Allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations
5. Recognise revenue as and when control of the performance obligations is transferred

Generally the timing of the payment for sale of goods and rendering of services corresponds closely to the timing of satisfaction of the performance obligations, however where there is a difference, it will result in the recognition of a receivable, contract asset or contract liability.

None of the revenue streams of the Association have any significant financing terms as there is less than 12 months between receipt of funds and satisfaction of performance obligations.

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.

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3 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(b) Revenue and other income

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.

(c) 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.

(d) 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%

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3 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(d) **Property, plant and equipment**

Fixed asset class	Depreciation rate
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.

(e) **Financial instruments**

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

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

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For the Year Ended 30 June 2020

3 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(e) Financial instruments

Financial assets

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 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.

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3 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(e) Financial instruments

Financial assets

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 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.

(f) 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.

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3 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(f) Impairment of non-financial assets

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.

(g) 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.

(h) 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.

(i) 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.

(j) Adoption of new and revised accounting standards

The Association has adopted all standards which became effective for the first time at 30 June 2020, the adoption of these standards has not caused any material adjustments to the reported financial position, performance or cash flow of the Association.

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.

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4 Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgments

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 Cash and Cash Equivalents

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Cash at bank and in hand	972,782	384,320
Short-term deposits	-	450,000
	<u>972,782</u>	<u>834,320</u>

6 Trade and Other Receivables

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Trade receivables	69,020	96,195
Government subsidies receivable	50,000	-
Other receivables	-	1,569
GST receivable	21,664	13,289
	<u>140,684</u>	<u>111,053</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.

7 Property, plant and equipment

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Capital works in progress		
At cost	<u>38,051</u>	-
Plant and equipment		
At cost	53,160	19,462
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(14,514)</u>	<u>(13,452)</u>
Total plant and equipment	<u>38,646</u>	6,010
Motor vehicles		
At cost	152,783	153,771
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(60,971)</u>	<u>(87,921)</u>
Total motor vehicles	<u>91,812</u>	65,850

Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2020

7 Property, plant and equipment

Leasehold Improvements		
At cost	132,265	79,416
Accumulated amortisation	(12,823)	(926)
Total leasehold improvements	<u>119,442</u>	<u>78,490</u>
	<u>287,951</u>	<u>150,350</u>

(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:

	Capital Works in Progress \$	Plant and Equipment \$	Motor Vehicles \$	Leasehold Improvement s \$
Year ended 30 June 2020				
Balance at the beginning of year	-	6,010	65,850	78,490
Additions	38,051	33,698	47,709	52,849
Depreciation expense	-	(1,062)	(21,747)	(11,897)
Balance at the end of the year	<u>38,051</u>	<u>38,646</u>	<u>91,812</u>	<u>119,442</u>

	Total \$
Year ended 30 June 2020	
Balance at the beginning of year	150,350
Additions	172,307
Depreciation expense	(34,706)
Balance at the end of the year	<u>287,951</u>

	Capital Works in Progress \$	Plant and Equipment \$	Motor Vehicles \$	Leasehold Improvement s \$
Year ended 30 June 2019				
Balance at the beginning of year	-	6,708	88,786	-
Additions	-	-	-	79,416
Depreciation expense	-	(698)	(22,936)	(926)
Balance at the end of the year	<u>-</u>	<u>6,010</u>	<u>65,850</u>	<u>78,490</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2020

7 Property, plant and equipment

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

	Total
	\$
Year ended 30 June 2019	
Balance at the beginning of year	95,494
Additions	79,416
Depreciation expense	<u>(24,560)</u>
Balance at the end of the year	<u><u>150,350</u></u>

8 Other Assets

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Prepayments	<u>30,233</u>	12,612
	<u><u>30,233</u></u>	<u><u>12,612</u></u>

9 Leases

The Association has applied AASB 16 using the modified retrospective (cumulative catch-up) method and therefore the comparative information has not been restated and continues to be reported under AASB 117 and related Interpretations.

Right-of-use assets

	Buildings	Office Equipment	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Year ended 30 June 2020			
Balance at beginning of year	118,611	37,414	156,025
Depreciation charge	<u>(17,556)</u>	<u>(4,363)</u>	<u>(21,919)</u>
Balance at end of year	<u><u>101,055</u></u>	<u><u>33,051</u></u>	<u><u>134,106</u></u>

Lease liabilities

The maturity analysis of lease liabilities based on contractual undiscounted cash flows is shown in the table below:

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9 Leases

Lease liabilities

	< 1 year \$	1 - 5 years \$	> 5 years \$	Total undiscounted lease liabilities \$	Lease liabilities included in this Statement Of Financial Position \$
2020					
Lease liabilities	28,898	108,255	-	137,153	137,153

10 Trade and Other Payables

	2020 \$	2019 \$
CURRENT		
Trade payables	18,306	17,626
GST payable	12,319	848
Sundry payables and accrued expenses	12,136	16,128
PAYG withholding payable	17,906	5,306
Accrued wages and superannuation	8,022	31,818
	<u>68,689</u>	<u>71,726</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

	2020 \$	2019 \$
CURRENT		
Long service leave	75,663	71,053
Provision for employee benefits	53,867	45,293
	<u>129,530</u>	<u>116,346</u>
	2020 \$	2019 \$
NON-CURRENT		
Long service leave	18,465	22,281
	<u>18,465</u>	<u>22,281</u>

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12 Other Financial Liabilities

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Amounts received in advance	126,075	2,000
	<u>126,075</u>	<u>2,000</u>

13 Other Liabilities

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Unexpended grants	16,500	90,516
	<u>16,500</u>	<u>90,516</u>

14 Reserves

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
General reserve		
Opening balance	530,000	456,000
Transfers in	160,000	74,000
	<u>690,000</u>	<u>530,000</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.

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Future building acquisition	550,000	450,000
Future expansion of information technology	140,000	80,000
	<u>690,000</u>	<u>530,000</u>

15 Auditors' Remuneration

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Remuneration of the auditor, TDH Chartered Accountants, for:		
- auditing or reviewing the financial statements	7,300	6,850
	<u>7,300</u>	<u>6,850</u>

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16 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 2020 the number of unrepresented, unexpired vouchers were 28,743 (2019: 23,638, 2018: 18,437). The funded face value these vouchers is \$359,288 (2019: \$295,475, 2018: \$230,463).

On review of the total vouchers presented during the year, it was established that 4,695 (2019: 6,010, 2018: 7,035) vouchers were utilised during the current year. Included in this balance were 1,289 (2019: 1,154, 2018: 1,896, 2017: 360) vouchers which were written back as expired, being 27% (2019: 19%, 2018: 27%) 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.

17 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:

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Profit for the year	258,372	172,191
Cash flows excluded from profit attributable to operating activities		
Non-cash flows in profit:		
- depreciation	56,625	24,559
- net gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(15,909)	(11,818)
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
- (increase)/decrease in trade and other receivables	(29,415)	(65,590)
- (increase)/decrease in prepayments	(17,621)	1,636
- (increase)/decrease in inventories	-	6,292
- increase/(decrease) in trade and other payables	52,312	68,716
- increase/(decrease) in employee benefits	9,368	16,290
Cashflows from operations	<u>313,732</u>	<u>212,276</u>

Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc.

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2020

18 Statutory Information

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

Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc.

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Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc.

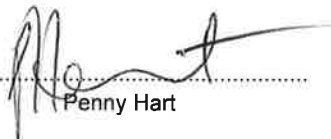
Statement by Members of the Committee

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 2020, 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

28/8/2020

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 2020, 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 2020 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

31 August 2020

Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Inc.
For the Year Ended 30 June 2020

Detailed Statement of Income and Expenditure

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Income		
Sale of goods	141	3,467
Fees	622,373	756,953
Interest income	9,362	3,872
Grant income	1,136,195	1,104,424
Other income	242,787	16,251
Total income	2,010,858	1,884,967
Less: Expenses		
Accounting fees	32,898	28,792
Administration and management fees	278	216
Advertising	22,169	59,183
Auditors remuneration	7,300	6,850
Bank charges	623	442
Cleaning	466	392
Conference/Seminar costs	3,350	4,323
Consulting and professional fees	34,677	59,200
Consumables	883	10,757
Course expenses	62,208	85,705
Depreciation	56,625	24,559
Donations	597	784
Electricity and water	7,660	8,884
Equipment < \$5,000	76,028	11,484
Insurance	22,673	19,822
Interest expense on lease liability	6,175	-
IT Expenses	19,861	5,495
Lease rentals on operating lease	173	22,290
Motor vehicle expenses	26,927	28,695
Postage	2,734	3,335
Printing and stationery	17,757	29,985
Program expenses	92,852	103,011
Repairs and maintenance	13,083	5,507
Salaries	973,320	900,235
Staff amenities	948	1,575
Staff training	27,279	10,674
Storage costs	138	443
Subcontracting costs	9,490	18,992
Subscriptions	7,130	10,688
Sundry expenses	12	(965)
Superannuation contributions	83,881	80,400
Telephone and fax	13,462	11,981
Travel expenses	134,765	164,069
Uniforms	9,974	6,791
Total Expenses	1,768,396	1,724,594
Gain on disposal of assets	15,909	11,818
Profit for the year	258,371	172,191



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**Royal Life Saving Society (Aust) NT Branch Incorporated
For the Year Ended 30 June 2020**

Disclaimer

The additional financial data presented on page 25 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 2020. 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

31 August 2020

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