

Kicking Back Edition 108 | April 2021 Telephone: 08 8981 5036 | Email: nt@rlssa.org.au

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President: Penny Hart







Royal Life Saving is dedicated to turning everyday people into everyday community lifesavers.

We achieve this through education, training, health promotion, risk management, research, sport and advocacy.

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

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

Strategy: Our People, Our Lifestyle, our Water

Be Safe : In, on and around water from the RLSSANT Management Committee

#### MAKE THE RIGHT CALL



#### **RESPECT THE RIVER**



Whether you're swimming, boating, or even just relaxing on the bank, there are many hidden dangers that you may not be aware of.

When enjoying our rivers, make the right call...to keep your mates safe!

## MAKE THE RIGHT CALL



Know your limitations and don't take risks. Don't be a statistic. Boating and fishing continue to be popular recreational activities, however, latest drowning figures show that over the past ten years, 410 people have lost their lives while boating or fishing., Royal Life Saving is urging boaters and fishers to Make the Right Call when it comes to safety. Royal Life Saving's 'Make the Right Call' campaign highlights a common-sense approach and advocates simple safety tips to prevent drowning:

- Avoid alcohol around water
- Wear a lifejacket when boating, kayaking or canoeing
- Avoid swimming or recreating alone around water

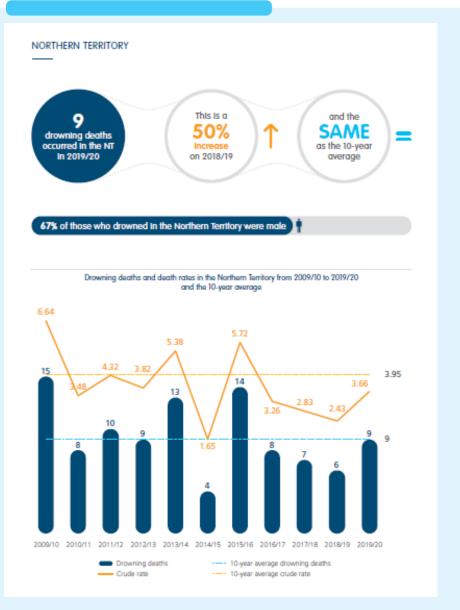
#### For all Territorians:

- Find out if it is safe to swim look for signs & follow the rules
- Know when you are in crocodile country & find your nearest swimming pool to visit instead
- If you are fishing stay out of the water otherwise you may become the bait
- Actively supervise children



### NATIONAL DROWNING REPORT 2020





Sadly, the Northern Territory maintains the highest drowning rate per capita in Australia with 9 drowning deaths recorded in the 2019-2020 period. For the full National Drowning Report please visit: https://bit.ly/34dFYZQ



### COMMUNITY – Our People



We celebrated youth week with the Barras Swim Club in Nhulunbuy on the 10<sup>th</sup> of April. Young legends loving the water with dedicated volunteer coaches making it amazing!



#### **COMMUNITY – Our People**





Stand Up Paddle Boards were a hit at the #beriversafe Picnic at Lake Mary Ann in Tennant Creek on the 15<sup>th</sup> of April. It was great to see everyone having a fun time on the water.

#### AQUATIC SERVICES



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It's Aquatic Facility Safety Assessment time in Darwin & Katherine. A big shout out to Louise, Tania, the amazing Clare from the City of Darwin & YMCA NT staff from the Parap Pool and Nightcliff Pool who had everything ready for the Auditor. Thank you RJ for sharing your knowledge & skills with us, Focusing on our commitment to water

safety & best practice Risk Management.









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Thanks to all the wonderful children, parents & coaches who tried out pool lifesaving in Nhulunbuy on the 11<sup>th</sup> of April.

Fitness, fun & lifesaving skills were challenged & everyone participated. Thank you to Rio Tinto & Nhulunbuy Corporation for their contributions to make this happen!





### SPORT



Congratulations to both Alice Springs and Darwin clubs for an amazing start to the year, with record numbers attending training sessions & carnivals! The season was jammed packed with fun, fitness & informative clinics from guest coaches. A special thanks to Power and Water for sponsoring our clubs and providing a much needed equipment upgrade!

















Remember the key messages:

▲ Supervision ▲ Restrict Access ▲ Water Familiarisation ▲ Learn CPR

#### WATER SAFETY UNIT





Rule #1 Never Swim Alone Rule #2 Float & Wave Rule #3 Reach to Rescue Thank you Kingdom Kids Early Learning Centre Palmerston for practicing the Aqua Code & joining in for Water Safety fun with Boof the Barra on the 7<sup>th</sup> of April!





## INDIGENOUS ADVANCEMENT STRATEGY



**Students and Teachers** from Kalkarindji travelled over 400Kms to Katherine to complete their Swim, Survive & Strive Program 29<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> March. 3 action packed days of intensive swimming lessons, CPR awareness, First Aid skills and so much more. Thank you for a wonderful program, great work everyone!





Ready, Set, Rescue!

It was a great day for a Pool Lifesaving Carnival in Tennant Creek on the 15<sup>th</sup> of April. These super lifesavers tested their skills in the water as part of the Active Family Fun Day at the pool. Thank you to Dillon, Steve and the Sport and Recreation staff for making this event a splash!



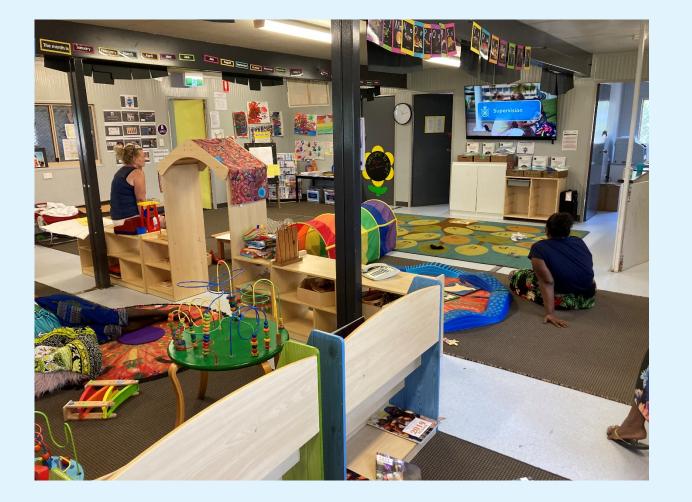












Thank you to Leah and the families of Gunyangara FAFT in Nhulunbuy for a wonderful session for the Water Safety Awareness Program on the 9<sup>th</sup> of April.







It was a great session the morning of the 19<sup>th</sup> of April for the Water Safety Awareness Program. These Families are ready to use their vouchers for swimming lessons! Do you need to attend an Emergency Care Session ? Contact us today for

more information 8981 5036.





#### **EMERGENCY CARE SESSIONS 2021** - Bookings are essential

PARAP Royal Life Saving NT 77 Ross Smith Ave, Parap (Blue building)

> Monday 24th May 5-6pm Tuesday 25th May 9-10am Saturday 29th May 9-10am

Monday 21st June 9-10am Tuesday 22nd June 5-6pm PALMERSTON Palmerston Child & Family Centre 2 Brennan Court, Farrar

Wednesday 26th May 4:30-5:30pm Thursday 27th May 9-10am

Wednesday 23rd June 4:30-5:30pm

ALICE SPRINGS Birth & Beyond Parent Resource Centre 10/89 Fan Arcade Alice Springs 0870

Monday 24th May 10-11am Thursday 27th May 4:30-5:30pm

Monday 21st June 10-11am Tuesday 22nd June 10-11am Thursday 24th June 4:30-5:30pm

Are you in another location? Call us today to find out how you can attend an Emergency Care Session 8981 5036





# Congratulations to the Junior Police Rangers who completed their CPR just in time for the Easter Long weekend on the 1<sup>st</sup> of April.











#### Great work by our Bronze medallion participants in Alice Springs on the 10<sup>th</sup> of April for completing their training. Well done!



#### TRAINING



What's SUP on the Water! Survival skills and scenarios were the final test for our participants for a week of training and water safety skills 12<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup> April. Putting together all of the knowledge, skills, fitness and judgment learnt over the week to achieve a bronze medallion. What a great way to spend the school holidays!



#### TRAINING





Congratulations to the enthusiastic participants who have just completed their Bronze Medallion & Pool Lifeguard training at the Tennant Creek Swimming Pool on the 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> of April. Well done to all & thank you.

## TRAINING CALENDAR 2021



Resuscitation Courses 13th May 2.00 - 4.00pm 10th June 2.00 - 4.00pm 8th July 2.00-4.00pm 12th August 2.00-4.00pm 9th September 2.00-4.00pm 14th October 2.00-4.00pm

Pool Lifeguard 2nd & 3rd October 8.30am-4.30pm

Pool Lifeguard Update 6th October 12.00-8.00pm 7th October 8.30am-4.30pm 10th October 8.30am-4.30pm

Aquatic Technical Operators (Online learning with one Face to face or Zoom) 19th May 8.30am 4.30pm



Bronze Medallion Courses 14th August 8.30-4.30pm 18th September 8.30-4.30pm 29th September 8.30-4.30pm 16th October 8.30-4.30

Bronze Medallion Update

11th August 3.30-7.30pm 15th September 3.30-7.30pm 13th October 3.30-7.30pm

First Aid Child Care & Education Online learning + 5 hour practical Assessment

> 13th May 2.00 - 7.00pm 10th June 2.00 - 7.00pm 8th July 2.00– 7.00pm

Bookings Royal Life Saving NT Northern Territory Branch ABN 57 939 760 839 - RTO 0859 GPO Box 1229, Darwin NT 0801

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AUSTSWIM COURSES Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety 7th &8th August 8.30-4.30 Teacher of Preschool and Infants TBC Teacher of Adults On Request Teacher of Access and Inclusion On Request Water Exercise—WETS On Request

First Aid Online + Practical Assessments Online learning +4 hour practical Assessment 13th May 2.00 - 6.00pm 10th June 2.00 - 6.00pm 8th July 2.00-6.00pm

> Face to Face First Aid Workplace training can be requested





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