



KICKING BACK

September & October 2024



ROYAL LIFE SAVING
NORTHERN TERRITORY

EDITION #136



Welcome to this bumper double edition of Kicking Back. September and October are some of our organisation's most important months with the roll out of Water Safety Week across the Territory and some very special events. Keep reading to catch up on all the action.



20th annual Trainer's Workshop



SPLASHFEST at Darwin Waterfront



First Aid training at Maningrida

MISSION, VISION AND STRATEGY

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

Patron: His Honour Professor the Honourable Hugh Heggie PSM, Administrator of the Northern Territory and Ms Ruth Jones.

President: Randall Cook

Proudly sponsored by
 Northern Territory
Government



Our Annual General Meeting was held on 13 September. Thank you to all our wonderful Members who were in attendance – in person and via Zoom. Congratulations to all award recipients for your contribution to water safety in the Northern Territory.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR AWARD RECIPIENTS OF 2023/2024



Volunteer of the Year
Asheton Bayard-Hewitt



Trevor Cawthorne Memorial Award
Carly McLuckie



Trainer of the Year
Laura Withers



Life Membership - Rod Cremona



**20 Years of attendance at the Trainer's
Workshop**
- Petina Franklin



WSAP Provider of the Year
Triple S Swim School



Swim & Survive Teacher of the Year
Brooke O'Bryan



**Media Making a Difference
Award**
Ross Woodward, Media Key



Service Cross – Marianne Yuen

AGM



6 September marked our Executive Director, Floss' 20 years of service with Royal Life Saving Northern Territory. The special milestone was celebrated with Members and friends at the AGM. Congratulations on an incredible career, and wonderful contribution to water safety in the Northern Territory Floss!





WATER SAFETY WEEK

We celebrated Water Safety Week across the Northern Territory with a week of free family fun from September 15-21.

FREE FAMILY EVENTS

Water Safety Week 2024

WATER SAFETY IS 24/7

Sunday 15th - Saturday 21st September

Darwin • Palmerston • Katherine
Tennant Creek • Alice Springs

A week of free fun and water safety education across the Northern Territory. Come and join in on an event near you!

Splashfest • Pool Lifesaving Carnivals
Water Safety Activities
Story Reading with Boof the Barra
Aquafest

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FREE FAMILY EVENT

Splashfest

WATER SAFETY IS 24/7

Location: Darwin Waterfront

Sunday 15th September 9am – 12pm

Opening event for Water Safety Week

Boof the Barra • Waterslides • Circus entertainment
Splash bucket fun • Water Safety Creek competition
Kids DJ • Stilt walkers • Face painting
Fantastic give aways and much more!

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PRESENTS

Aquafest

WATER SAFETY IS 24/7

Location: SWELL Palmerston

Saturday 21 September 10am - 3pm

Closing event for Water Safety Week

Boof the Barra • Circus activities
Sausage sizzle • Face painting
Fantastic give aways and much more!

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SPLASHFEST



Water Safety Week festivities kicked off on 15 September with SPLASHFEST at the Darwin Waterfront. Thank you to all the wonderful stakeholders, families and entertainment for creating a fun and exciting atmosphere for the opening event of the week!
Keep scrolling for image gallery.







More photos from [SPLASHFEST here](#)

AQUAFEST



Aquafest splashed down at SWELL Palmerston to close out Water Safety Week with Boof the Barra and water safety activities, sausage sizzle, face painting, animal handling and more! Special thanks to City of Palmerston and the Northern Territory Government. More images from the fun-filled day on the next slide.





ALICE SPRINGS



Water Safety Week festivities continued in Alice Springs with Boof the Barra visiting Larapinta Preschool and Alice Springs Library. Plus, there was plenty of pool lifesaving fun at Alice Springs Aquatic and Leisure Centre.



TRAINING



2023/2024 TRAINING QUICK STATS

- 332 Courses conducted
- 2442 participants of which 520 are First Nation People
- Training was conducted in 23 Remote Indigenous Communities
- 10,843 certificates issued, including
- 4,815 Statements of attainments

On September 13 the 20th annual Trainer's Workshop was held at Parap Pool. Royal Life Saving NT trainers gathered to update qualifications in Bronze Medallion, Pool Lifeguard and First Aid Courses as well as sharing knowledge and celebrating 20 years of delivering quality courses to the Northern Territory.

What an amazing achievement!

TRAINING



On 6 September Royal Life Saving conducted a Train the Trainer course for nine participants.

The course equips new trainers with essential skills, knowledge and hands-on experience to deliver engaging and effective First Aid and Bronze Medallion training while ensuring compliance with RTO standards. Well done, everyone!



TRAINING



CPR at Darwin Day Surgery on 4 September



Pool Lifeguard Course at Parap Pool from 4-6 October



Bronze Medallion at Nhulunbuy Pool on 7 & 8 October



Bronze Medallion at Parap Pool on 26 October

OUR PLACES



From 16-19 September Royal Life Saving NT travelled to Wadeye Community and delivered water safety talks to One Tree Childcare Centre and Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Thamarrurr School senior and preschool students.



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On 31 October Royal Life Saving NT conducted CPR and First Aid training at Maningrida Community with the Teams from Mala'la Health Services Aboriginal Corporations. It was great to see the impressive turn-out of 22 participants. The community is in great hands with this bunch of legends!





2024 Family Christmas Party

You and your family are invited to attend the

2024 Royal Life Saving NT Family Christmas Party

WHERE: Goldfishbowl Swim School
44 Toupein Road Yarrowonga

WHEN: Saturday 23 November 2024

TIME: 1pm-3pm

Dress code: Christmas Spirit and Royal Blue theme

Please **RSVP** by Wednesday 20 November 2024 as
Santa will be dropping in with presents for the
children

Email: finacent@rlssa.org.au

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2024 Family Christmas Party

You and your family are invited to attend the

2024 Royal Life Saving NT Family Christmas Party

WHERE: Alice Springs Aquatic & Leisure Centre

WHEN: Wednesday 4 December 2024

TIME: 3pm – 5pm

Dress code: Christmas Spirit and Royal Blue theme

Please **RSVP** by Monday 2 December 2024 as Santa will be dropping in with presents for the children

Email: finacent@rlssa.org.au

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NT Administrator's Medal Award 2024

Do you know someone who has made an exceptional contribution to Lifesaving, Water Safety and Drowning Prevention in the Northern Territory?

Nominations are now open for NT Administrator's Medal Award for 2024.

Follow the link below to complete your nomination and submit it to finacent@rlssa.org.au by no later than 14 November 2024
<https://bit.ly/3qxW6ox>





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Darwin Waterfront Lagoon