

SUMMER 2019 NEWSLETTER

"Supporting those who support us"

The Community Supporting Police Inc. Annual General Meeting (CSP AGM) was held at Queensland Police Headquarters on Wednesday September 11. Assistant Commissioner, CSP Helping Hand Chair Michael Condon BA APM, representing Commissioner Katarina Carroll APM was joined by: our guest speaker Nikki Gannon, from the Eloise Gannon Foundation, senior executives of the QPS, Mr Andrew Gough (Queensland Police Legacy Scheme), Mr Greg Early CSP Blue Ribbon Committee, Mr Bruce Jones (QBANK), Chief Commissioner Scouts Queensland Mr Daryl Scott and members of CSP to recognise the outstanding dedication and commitment of our newly awarded Honorary Life Membership recipients: Mrs Fran Lindsay, (photo right) Mr Mark Plath and Reverend Rod Wood. Unfortunately neither Mark nor Rod were able to attend, so they received their Awards at the November General Meeting (see photos page 2).



Also present were Honorary Life Members: Mrs Dorothy Stumer, Mrs Patricia Dryden (OAM) (pictured left to right respectively) and Mr Evan Newton (OAM) (pictured below)



During the course of the evening other members were recognised for their ongoing contribution to and promotion of CSP and the CSP Helping Hand Fund.



Mrs. Jenni Bennet (Far North

Queensland Branch FNQ) **5 Yr Service Award**; Mrs. Roslyn Diachkoff (CSP Brisbane), Mrs. Elissa Smith (CSP Brisbane), Mr Cameron MacKenzie-Fowle (CSP Brisbane) (photo left) and Mr Colin Diachkoff (CSP Brisbane & Blue Ribbon Committee) **10 Yr Service Award;** Mr David Parker (CSP Brisbane)

20 Yr Service Award; Mrs. Barbara Landsberg (CSP Brisbane), Mrs. Beth Gordon (CSP HH Brisbane); Mrs. Jan Robertson (CSP Brisbane), Mr Barry Krosch (CSP Brisbane) and Mr Bryan Brown (AM) (CSP Brisbane) (photo right) 25 Yr Service Award.





Congratulations to all our wonderful Awardees

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Following Mrs Gannon's presentation (please refer to page 6 for a brief outline)(photo left), Mr Newton officiated over the election of the incoming Office Bearers.

The usual suspects were returned once again: President, Mr. Bryan Brown; Vice President Mr. Dan Mahon; Treasurer, Mr. Victor Serchen; Secretary, Mrs. Cecelia Serchen and Helping Hand Representative, Ms Nadene Sander. Both Inspector Leonie Fordyce and Police Chaplain Reverend Doug Foster (FNQ Branch) will continue in their respective roles as Police Liaison and Chaplaincy Representative on the Management Committee. The Portfolio holders also retained their positions: Blue Ribbon Committee Representative, Mr Col Diachkoff; Emergency Accommodation Coordinator; Mrs Peggy Campbell; Event Coordinator, Mrs Serchen; Merchandise Officer, Ms Colleen MacCarthy; Branch Liaison, Mrs. Serchen; Police Beat Liaison, Ms MacCarthy; Webmaster, Mr. Russell

Turner, (position now vacant due to overseas work). The Marketing and Promotions Officer Portfolio also remains vacant.

Other orders of business passed at this 28th Annual General Meeting include: the Audit Report; the appointment of the Auditor (Thomas & Ridgway) for 2019-2020 and the appointment of a Solicitor (Craig Ray & Associates) for 2019 -2020.

At the conclusion of the proceedings Mr Bryan Brown acknowledged and thanked the wonderful support shown by the Mount Coo-tha Trefoil Ladies, for providing the delicious supper for our attendees each year for many years.



National Police Remembrance Day

2019 marks the 30th anniversary of National Police Remembrance Day. A day in which the wider community come together with members of the Policing families to commemorate, at marches and services across Australia and the South West Pacific Region, the sacrifice made by those men and women who serve us.

Queensland Police Commissioner, Katarina Carroll said this year was the first time a National Police Remembrance Day Service was held at the newly dedicated Queensland Police Memorial in Brisbane. Commissioner Carroll said, this was a watershed moment as she paused to remember those who have fallen. "We must never forget those who have been lost to us and similarly, we must never forget their families, their partners, their friends and their colleagues, who have also sacrificed and lost so much".

National Police Remembrance Day not only honours those who have lost their lives in the line of duty but also recognises the commitment, dedication and bravery of all past, present and future police officers.

During her address Commissioner Carroll also acknowledged "the inherent risk faced by police officers every day as they come to work facing uncertainty for what the coming shift may bring. We as a Service have more than 15,000 interactions with the public every day, some through the regular course of our duties and some through dangerous and emergent situations".

Minister for Police and Corrective Services Honourable Mark Ryan (MP) reiterated that 'services, marches and vigils had been held across the state for the community and police to remember the 147 Queensland Police officers who gave their life serving the state, as well as all police officers from across Australia and the South West Pacific, who paid the ultimate sacrifice'.

Minister Ryan acknowledged the Queensland Police Union of Employees and President Ian Leavers, initiative to create a Queensland Police Memorial and Ian's unwavering commitment to this cause is why this important landmark stands today. <u>http://statements.qld.gov.au/Statement/2019/9/27/police-pay-tribute-to-fallen-colleagues</u>

2019 marks the anniversary of the deaths of the following police officers, whom we honour and remember.

• 135 years since Constable Nathaniel Roberts of Windorah Police Station died after becoming lost in the bush without water near Connemara Station, close to Windorah.

- 135 years since Constable James McMullen from Maytown Police Station drowned while accompanying a prisoner to bathe in the Pioneer River near Maytown.
- 130 years since Constable Aldred Wavell of Corinda Police Station (Gulf of Carpentaria) was killed after tracking an offender to Lawn Hill where a gun fight ensued, and he courageously walked towards the line of fire calling for surrender.
- 125 years since Constable Edward Lanigan of Montalbion Police Station died in the execution of his duties while attempting to apprehend an offender in Montalbion, a settlement in north Queensland.

• 125 years since Constable Benjamin Ebbit of Croydon Police Station died as a result of injuries sustained on 9 November 1890 where he was seriously assaulted attempting to arrest an offender. He never returned to active police duty following the offence.

- 110 years since Sub Inspector 2/c Michael Broderick of Charleville Police Station died as a result of injuries sustained when he fell from his horse in Charleville.
- 50 years since Senior Constable Colin Brown of Dayboro Police Station was killed in the line of duty when responding to an armed offender at a local dairy farm.
- 50 years since Constable Noel Steele of Booval Police station was killed in a car crash while in pursuit of a speeding vehicle in Booval.
- 50 years since Constable Alan Cambage of Brisbane Traffic Branch died as a result of injuries received in a motor cycle crash at Salisbury.
- 40 years since Technical Officer Grade 1 James Patrick Browning of Brisbane Radio Maintenance Division was killed when his private motorcycle and two other cars collided in Bardon as he travelled home.
- 30 years since Plain Clothes Constable Brett Handran of the Juvenile Aid Bureau was killed in the line of duty as he responded to a domestic disturbance in Wynnum West.

http://statements.qld.gov.au/Statement/2019/9/27/police-pay-tribute-to-fallen-colleagues

(please see the poem pages 4-5 written by Senior Sergeant Tim Beard honouring colleague Plain Clothes Constable Brett Handran)

More National Police Remembrance Day information available here https://www.police.qld.gov.au/index.php/police-memorial Media contacts: Minister Ryan's Office: (07) 3035 8300 & Police Media: (07) 30152444

SMILING EYES

Nearly 50-raw recruits, standing idly in the sun Checking each other out, our new life had just begun I saw him come towards me, hand outstretched and smiling eyes "Gidday, I'm Brett Handran, its great to meet all you guys."

His laughter was in ectious he had a kind word for everyone Positive about even hing, even the dreaded "Mack truck run" 30 years have bassed since Brett was taken away But I see those smiling eyes in my mind, like it was yesterday.

We trained, we studied, we marched and we swore an oath together We went our separate ways, forever bound by an invisible tether You always remember where you were, when Satan steals some time

The evil imprint laid us bare on the 29th of June in 1989.

Brett grew up in Wynnum, but was based at the City JAB That day found him in his old haunts, he had some p∈ ple to The gentle Winter sun was shining, as he soaked in the amiliar "Shots fired!" crackled the radio and he turned on the sing and

ple to see miliar sights and lights.

They roared into Carmichael Court, the first crew on the scene A coward lay in waiting, armed and unseen Brett got out to do his job, even though he had no cover A shot rang out, and in an instant, we lost a mate, a son, a brother.



"Oh God no, I'm hit!" Brett cried as he fell to the ground His partner tried to get to him, but was hit by another round Brett lay there alone, as his life was slipping away A lonely death, with a little girl, who was also murdered that day.

I wonder, did he hear the sirens, as his world faded to black? Did he feel our love, did he know he wasn't coming back? Did he feel the ageny of his parents, of a son lost so soon? Did he watch the lines of olue, when the piper played his mournful tune?

His life was stole by another life, by a life with little worth I'll bet Brett was holding that little girl's hand, as their souls left this earth I'll bet he felt no hatred, didn't think of the killer's prosecution Brett would have forgiven him, he'd have no desire for retribution.

Brett was just 23, and I wonder what could have been A wife, a life, a family, a future – all echoes of a dream No smiling eyes in wedding photos, no family photos on the wall Just a fading photo of a memory, and the sadness of a suffocating pall.

An empty chair at the Christmas table, the loneliness An empty bedroom and the empty hearts of his Father a His young sweetheart, no longer young, can't forget him, For in her dreams and mirrored streams, she still sees his smiling eyes.

his brother his Mother ugh she tries

Brett lived with honour, and he died with honour too Today, we honour and remember him, and mourn what he never got to do Those smiling eyes, his open heart, a man who never saw the worst In life, and in death, he never put himself first.

So say a prayer, lay a wreath, or have a beer for Brett Stand strong as Police Officers, and never, ever forget We'll always do, what we've always done, no matter what the cost And we'll honour each other, each sister and brother, and all those we have lost. By Senior Semeant Tim Beard

With Honour They Served

Eloíse Gannon FOUNDATION

www.eloisegannonfoundation.com.au

The Eloise Gannon Foundation was founded to honour the memory of Eloise Gannon who at 15 died unexpectedly due to a cardiac arrhythmia. Eloise was an extremely fit and active teenager who passed away without warning. Currently in Australia up to 4 young people die every week from sudden cardiac death (SCD). The Foundation was formed with the specific goal of raising awareness and introducing initiatives to help reduce the incidence of SCD in our youth.

THE FOUNDATION HAS 4 SPECIFIC AIMS :

- To raise awareness of the signs, symptoms and possible implications of cardiac arrhythmias
- To develop initiatives to assist in the early detection of heart conditions in young people
- To advocate for the importance of accessible defibrillators at sporting clubs, training venues and schools
- To encourage and support further research and funding into sudden cardiac death in Australian youth

info@eloisegannonfoundation.com.au



if in doubt, check it out!

SIGNS & SYMPTOMS

Have you or a young person you know ever experienced the following:

Dizziness or light-headedness

Fainting

Sensation of rapid, fluttering or pounding heartbeats (heart racing)

- Shortness of breath or chest tightness
- Tiring easily during exercise

Or

Any family history of cardiac arrhythmia or an unexplained early death?

Awareness of possible signs and symptoms is an important step towards early detection.

These symptoms can be experienced at any age, time or fitness level and in most cases, will be unrelated to a cardiac arrhythmia. If any of these symptoms have been experienced, a precautionary ECG (Electrocardiogram) with your General Practitioner is highly recommended.



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From the Branches

Inspector Russell Rhodes, Tablelands Patrol Group and member of CSP's Far North Queensland Branch has sent through the below article after returning from recreation leave. A 25 day adventure on his new Harley Davidson, which incorporated participation in the 2019 Wall to Wall, concluding in Canberra on Saturday 14 September 2019.

Russell regularly attends the Wall to Wall to salute two officers who he knew well, "I ride to acknowledge them as friends and as Police Officers who were integral to policing in the Far North." Russell remembers "Bamaga Senior Constable Sally Urquhart, a great friend, who was sadly involved in the Lockhart River Air Crash on 7th May 2005 and Mareeba Constable



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Casey Blain, who tragically lost his life in a car accident just outside of Georgetown on 29th March 29, 2013." "I worked with both of them and I love the opportunity to go down to Canberra and remember their contribution to the force." <u>https://www.theexpressnewspaper.com.au/local-news/remembering-the-fallen/</u> "It's a chance for all four of





us to represent Queensland Police as well as those officers we knew personally who lost their lives in the line of duty." Russell said.



Russell has very kindly provided some photo's to highlight the 11,200 km adventure he shared with his QPS mates. Running in his new bike, saw him travelling around southern NSW and all of Victoria.

"The group (pictured left) I travelled with are in the photo taken at Mt Panorama in Bathurst during our ride to Canberra.

The riders from left to right:- Retired Inspector Steve Imhoff, Dianne Crawford, (wife of Trevor), Retired Senior Sergeant Richard Trotter, Retired Senior Sergeant Trevor Crawford, Senior Constable Russell Parker, and Inspector Russell Rhodes."

Kind Regards, Russell Rhodes

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Hi everyone, it is Ted E. Bear (AKA) Junior Police Teddy here and I just wanted to tell you about my latest adventure. Peter and Fay Johnson settled me into the car and headed south on

the Friday after attending the September Induction Parade at the Oxley Academy. We drove into Blues Country, first staying at Kempsey before we continued onto Goulburn the next day.

Then we went to Canberra for the Wall to Wall. Did you know that this was the 10th Anniversary of these event?

The Wall to Wall is an annual event where police members (serving or retired) from all States and Territories are joined by fellow unsworn police members, friends, family



adventure

and proud supporters of policing, ride their motor cycles as a sign of respect and remembrance for their fellow police officers who have paid the ultimate sacrifice as a result of their service to the community. By the way...this ride also rekindles friendships and raises funds to support the identified policing legacy organisations and charities.



Back to my adventure, we spent 10 days checking out all the tourist things in Canberra including a visit to Floraide, where I saw lots of lovely flowers, before surprising Peter and Fay's son Matthew at the end of the ride, which was great.

From Canberra we went to Cooma and Jindabyne where I

decided to play in the snow...a little bit cool (3 degrees) for a Queensland Police Teddy Bear I must say!!!

On the way back to the sunshine state we drove through Gunnedah, where we stayed overnight, before heading to Warwick to visit and stay with friends. The trip back to Brisbane was via Woodenbong, Rathdowney and Beaudesert.

journey and the country side is very dry.

Cheers for now Ted E Bear

CSP member Senior Sergeant Linda Simpson (pictured left serving) very kindly arranged for CSP members and their families to a fundraising BBQ to watch the 2019 Riverfire event on Saturday 28th September. Everyone who attended had a

fantastic night. A huge thanks to Owyn

from QPS Photographics for the wonderful photos taken during the event.

Thanks Linda for arranging everything.



The *Community Supporting Police Inc.* (CSP) *Helping Hand* (HH) is a registered tax deductible gift status organisation which aims to render financial aid and assistance to members of the *Queensland Police Service* (QPS) and their families, who are faced with serious, terminal, life threatening injuries or significant personal trauma.

Helping Hand has established a network of volunteer employees across the State, who can identify and coordinate assistance for colleagues and their families. HH raises funds through donations, sponsorship, payroll deductions and fund raising events.

No donations have been spent on administration costs since the fund commenced in 2005. *Helping Hand* donations, including those made through the payroll system, are tax deductible.

Financial support of *Helping Hand* is vital for the Fund to continue to support members of the *Queensland Police Service* for as little as \$2.00 per pay, **YOU** can make a significant difference.

If you are a Queensland Police Service employee in need of support please contact your local QPS Chaplain or CSP Branch.

If you would like to attend your local CSP Branch meeting or become a CSP member please contact your local QPS Chaplain or CSP Branch representative.

<u>Far North Region: Rev Doug Foster</u>—Foster.dougn@police.qld.gov.au (Cairns & Tablelands) <u>Northern Region: Senior Sergeant Janelle Poole</u>—Poole.janellem@police.qld.gov.au (Townsville) <u>Central Region: Sergeant Amanda Warby</u>—Warby.AmandaC@police.qld.gov.au (Rockhampton) <u>Southern Region: Rebecca Elliott</u> - Elliott.RebeccaJ@police.qld.gov.au (Toowoomba)

CSP Meetings Dates 2019 –2020

<u>Brisbane</u>

General Meeting: Police Headquarters: Wed 8th April 2020 7.00pm

Annual General Meeting: Police Headquarters: Wed 09th September 2020 7.00pm

General Meeting: Police Headquarters: Wed 11th November 2020 7.00pm

We hope you find this edition informative and interesting.

We would also like to sincerely thank all those, who have taken the time to write articles and contributed to this edition.

Keeping you up-to-date with what Community Supporting Police is doing, throughout the State, to "support those who support us" and keep us safe is important to us.

If you have any feedback, comments or recipes you would like to share we would love to hear from you!!

Alternatively, if you attend an event, hold an activity or have a story or photos you want to share please feel free to: email the secretary at info@csp.asn.au

We thank you for your continued support of CSP.

Community Supporting Police Inc acknowledges QBANK, our major supporter, for their continued and valuable support of our organisation.

POLICE - FIRE - HEALTH - PUBLIC SERVICE - JUSTIC

QBANK provides much needed financial assistance thus enabling CSP to provide emergency accommodation to members of the Queensland Police Service and their immediate families in times of crisis and trauma.

QBANK's contribution extends to providing staff to assist in the selling of CSP merchandise at the Royal Queensland Show (Ekka).

For this generosity we are extremely thankful.

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BEHIND THE CRIME DELIGHTS

JENNIFER'S DATE & WALNUT SLICE

Ingredients:

125g butter 125g sugar 1 egg 1 cup SR Flour Vanilla Pinch salt ½ cup chopped dates ½ cup chopped walnuts

Method:

- 1. Soften butter and add sugar..
- 2. Beat well then add egg and vanilla and beat again.
- 3. Sift SR Flour and salt.
- 4. Add chopped dates and walnuts.
- 5. Mix.
- 6. Spread in a shallow tin (approx. 28 x 18cm)
- 7. Bake in a moderate oven for 15 mins.

Finish with lemon icing:

Ice while hot with lemon icing.

JENNIFER'S MINT BROWNIES

Ingredients:

1/4 cup margarine

100g after-dinner mints or good quality mint chocolate such as "Lindt".

- 1 cup flour
- 1/4 teaspoon Baking soda
- 2/3 cup sugar
- 1/3 cup cocoa
- 1 large egg
- 1 large egg white

Method:

- 1. Preheat oven to 160c
- 2. Coat bottom of a 20cm square baking pan with cooking spray.
- 3. Combine butter and mints in a two-cup glass measure; microwave at high 30 seconds or until soft.
- 4. Stir until smooth, and set aside.
- 5 Combine flour and baking soda, in a bowl.
- 6. Combine sugar, cocoa, egg and egg white in a large bowl; beat at medium speed of a mixer until well blended.
- 7. Add mint mixture; beat well.
- 8. Add flour mixture;
- 9. Beat at low speed until just blended.
- 10. Pour batter into prepared pan.
- 11. Bake for 20 minutes or until a wooden skewer inserted in centre comes out clean; cool completely on a wire rack.

Enjoy with a cuppa



Containers for Change is the Queensland Container Refund Scheme and has been introduced to help reduce litter and recycle some of the 3 billion beverage containers (approx.) that are generated in our state each year. These containers are the second most littered items in Queensland. To help us all improve our recycling efforts and keep our beautiful environment litter-free, Queensland's Containers for Change scheme lets people receive 10-cent refund for each eligible container returned to a container refund point.

For more information regarding the Containers for Change Scheme please go to: enquiries@containersforchange.com.au

For your information and consideration CPS has now registered as a Container Refund Scheme charity.

Our unique identification number is C10018638.

If you or your family or friends would like to donate your/their "Container for Change" refunds donated to CSP, all they need to do is use the reference ID number C10018638

when leaving their beverage containers at the container refund point and any deposits will be automatically directed into the nominated Community Supporting Police Bank Account.

The members of CSP sincerely thank you for considering our organisation as a recipient for this fund raising activity



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Sinte and Territory Emergency Services

The **Emergency+** app is a **free** app developed by Australia's emergency services and their Government and industry partners.

The app uses **GPS functionality** built into smart phones to help a Triple Zero (000) caller provide critical location details required to **mobilise emergency services**

The Triple Zero Kids' Challenge, where kids learn about how to dial confidently

They'll learn about **safety messages** and hear what happens when you call **Triple Zero (000)** <u>http://emergencyapp.triplezero.gov.au/</u>





When calling Triple Zero (000) REMEMBER to: stay focused, stay relevant, & stay on the line.

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Before you call ask yourself:

- Is someone seriously injured or in need of urgent medical help?
- Is your life or property being threatened?
- Have you just witnessed a serious accident or crime?

If you answered 'Yes' to any of these questions:

CALL—Triple Zero (000). Triple Zero calls are free.!!!

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Save the app: that could save your life. https://apps.apple.com/au/app/emergency/id691814685

'Emergency +' is a national app developed by Australia's emergency services and their Government and industry partners, helping people to call the right number at the right time, anywhere in Australia.

The app uses a mobile phone's GPS functionality so callers can provide emergency call-takers with their location information as determined by their smart phone.

'Emergency+' also includes SES and Police Assistance Line numbers as options, so non-emergency calls are made to the most appropriate number.



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Don't wait until it's too late – get ready now prepare your home:

The best time to prepare your home is now. Taking steps now to secure and protect your property can improve the safety of your home during a bushfire, storm, flood or cyclone.

Understanding your risk is key to any preparation task. Once you have identified potential risks, preparing for them becomes easier. Here are a range of suggested tasks to assist you in preparing your home and property to minimise potential damage.

General home maintenance

Keep your roof in good condition and check it regularly

Keep gutters and downpipes clear so water can drain away quickly

Trim trees and overhanging branches (be aware of any overhead powerlines)

Check and fix any corrosion, rotten timber, termite infestations and loose fittings

General home preparations

Ensure your home, contents and car insurance is current and adequate. Check your policy includes debris clean up and removal

Identify your strongest room to shelter in during severe storm or cyclone Identify where and how to turn off the main supply for water, power and gas Have items on hand, such as water storage containers, spare fuel for your vehicle (ensure you store it safely), camp stove and fuel for cooking without power

If you live in a flood-prone area

Understand your risk

Store all poisons and garden chemicals well above ground level and out of reach of children Identify indoor items you will need to raise or empty if flood threatens Consider alternatives to carpet and relocate power-points to well above previous flood levels (using a licensed contractor)

If you live in a cyclone / severe storm-prone area

Understand your risk

Arrange for a professional builder to check your building and identify ways you can increase the structural security of your home to withstand high winds

Fit windows with shutters or metal screens for added protection during high winds

If you live in a fire-prone area

Understand your risk

Download and prepare your **Bushfire survival plan**

Ensure access to your property is easy for fire and emergency vehicles

Remove materials that can help fuel a fire (e.g. long dry grass, dead leaves, branches)

Keep roof and gutters clean of dead leaves

Check that pumps, generators and water systems are working correctly

Final home preparations

When warnings are issued for cyclone or severe storm:

Disconnect electrical appliances and external television / radio aerials and turn off electricity and gas main supplies if instructed to do so

Secure outdoor furniture and garden items

Fill buckets and bath with clean water in case of interruptions to water supply

Close windows with shutters or tape windows with strong tape and draw curtains

When warnings are issued for flood:

Disconnect electrical appliances

Move outdoor equipment, garbage, chemicals and poisons to a higher location Empty and raise freezers / refrigerators and stack or move furniture, valuables and electrical items off-site Sandbag internal drains and toilets to prevent sewage backflow Move livestock, plant and feed to higher ground.

For more information about preparing your home, download the <u>Get Ready Queensland prepare your home</u> fact sheet.

Be prepared in the event that you have to leave your home. Download the <u>Get Ready Queensland prepare for evacuation</u> fact sheet.



The members of Community Supporting Police sincerely thank: Mr Mike Currie, Mr Bruce Jones, Ms Shannon Daus and QBANK for the ongoing support of CSP in particular the editorial, which appeared in the September Edition of their members' newsletter.

The article, which outlined our organisation, covered the fact that since 1991 CSP "has continued to raise funds to provide emergency accommodation free of charge to hundreds of Queensland Police Service (QPS) families who have required assistance". The piece importantly explains that requests for assistance can be made through the Police Chaplain or Human Services Officer.

The commentary acknowledged "the occupancy rate for all 10 emergency facilities throughout Queensland is over 80% all year round, thus reflecting the ongoing need for such facilities across the State". Furthermore that "CSP funds the maintenance of these facilities, including the provision and upkeep of electrical appliances, furnishings, regular cleaning, pest control and payment for utilities, through the sale of Police branded merchandise."

Recognising "these facilities play a significant role in the lives of many members of the QPS especially during times of trauma and crisis", is the reason behind QBANK's generous support of CSP.

This help "is by way of sponsorship", which assists in maintaining "the QPS owned emergency accommodation facilities". As well as QBANK staff helping out by volunteering their "time at various events throughout the year to help raise much needed funds."

Importantly, the article also advised the ways in which "you can support the work of CSP by: *making a donation

*shopping from their <u>gift store</u> – including the iconic Constable T Bear collector editions

*liking them on Facebook and keeping up with their news

*joining their mailing list to stay up to date

*swap your containers for change – Id number C10018638

*attending a community event or fundraiser, including the Behind the Crime presentations.

*More information about Community Supporting Police can be found on their <u>website</u>. www.csp.asn.au https://www.qbank.com.au/emails/newsletter-member/fy1920/september-20-issue

For your banking enquires go to the QBANK Website https://www.qbank.com.au



Community Supporting Police representatives: Mr Bryan Brown (president), Mr Dan Mahon (vice president) and Mr Victor Serchen (treasurer) (pictured left) were honoured to be part of QBANKs Everyday Hero Awards function which was held on Friday 11th October 2019, at Queensland University of Technology's (QUT) Garden Point Campus.

QBANK CEO Mr Mike Currie welcomed everyone the sixth annual event which recognises the contribution of Queensland's frontline and public service workers, as well as youth aged 17 years and under who go above and beyond displaying "a selfless commitment to their communities."

Mr Currie said "Each year the QBANK Everyday Heroes Awards go from strength to strength and this year was no exception. I congratulate each and every one of our winners and nominees in the 2019 Awards on their amazing acts of bravery,

kindness and dedication." The five category winners each receive a \$1,000 cheque and \$1,000 donated to a charity of their choice, {whilst} The Young Everyday Heroes Award winner will receive a \$500 bursary towards their training and development.

https://www.qbank.com.au/latest-news/2019/qbank-reveals-winners-of-queensland-s-everyday-her

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The winners (pictured above) were chosen from across six categories: **Achievement** - Christopher Hay, Queensland Police Service: Christopher Hay of Darling Downs has demonstrated exceptional achievement in his fundraising efforts for the Children's Hospital Foundation. After donating part of his liver to his ill son, Senior Constable Hay challenged himself to travel 48 US state capitals in 48 days without the aid of public transport and raised over \$27,000 for the Children's Hospital Foundation.

Dedication - Kahla Mawby, Queensland Ambulance Service: Kahla Mawby of the Gold Coast displayed extraordinary dedication whilst holidaying in Indonesia when a 7.2 magnitude earthquake devastated the country. Kahla took it upon herself to search for a way she could help flying to impacted areas by helicopter to provide medical aid to the injured.

Excellence - Mallory Hofmeier, Queensland Police Service: Mallory Hofmeier of North Queensland has been acknowledged for her excellence in saving a young female who was threatening to take her own life. Miss Hofmeier exhibited bravery and commitment when she communicated with the woman who had a hearing-impairment, convincing her to safely return into the care of support services.

Ownership - Garry Casey, Queensland Police Service: Garry Casey of Brisbane has been recognised for his tireless efforts in the development of the Mobile Policing Facility (MPF) – a dynamic resource that has enabled the Railway Squad to innovate and challenge how they respond to calls for service. Senior Constable Casey's vision has leveraged the partnership between Queensland Police Railway Squad and Queensland Rail to improve community safety and policing presence across the rail network.

Working Together - Steve Whitfield and Michael Stuth, Queensland Ambulance Service: Steve Whitfield of the Gold Coast and Michael Stuth of Agnes Waters founded The Wild Medic Project to provide medical aid, resources and support to the devastated rural communities of Nepal following the 2015 earthquakes. Four years later, The Wild Medic Project has led over 18 medical expedition teams to Nepal to provide rural communities free primary health care and medical aid.

Young Everyday Heroes Award - Troy Ottaway, Surf Life Saving Queensland: Troy Ottaway of the Gold Coast has been recognised for his countless acts of bravery and dedication to the job, including saving the lives of over 30 people in his first season of surf life saving. Troy is a tireless volunteer and has been the first responder on scene to several incidents including a young girl who had sustained severe lacerations and a spinal injury and a surfer who had been bitten by a poisonous sea snake.

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CSP congratulates

all the winners & nomonees

for their dedication & contribution.

CSP MERCHANDISE

CSPwelcomes Ournewest recruits Innior Police EMILS Innior Police Kangaroo







Plush Emu with Junior Police bandana \$12.00 (16cm)

Plush Kangaroo with Junior Police bandana \$12.00 (17cm)





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JP Teddy \$12.00 if purchased before 31 December 2019 In 2020 JP Teddy will increase to \$15.00 due to increased manufacturing costs.



CONSTABLE T. BEAR Reduced to \$45.00

if purchased before the 31 December 2019. From January 2020 CTB will cost \$50.00

> CSP's iconic Koala Cop has been reduced from \$25.00 to \$20.00 as of December 2019



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Season's Greetings

The members of Community Supporting Police Inc. Management Committee wish to thank all our: members, readers and supporters for your continued encouragement and assistance throughout 2019 which has meant that CSP has had another successful year in providing emergency accommodation for members of the Queensland Police Service Family in their time of need. Without your backing we would not be able to support those who support us and for this we are truly grateful

CSP extends our warmest wishes to each of you, for a wonderful Christmas. We hope the joy and peace of the festive season continues throughout the New Year,

May 2020 be a prosperous and successful for all.

Thank you again for your continued support we look forward to working with you again in 2020.