

President’s Christmas message 2022

Thank you. Two words that have significant resonance with the person or persons hearing that message. At times we don’t thank our members, teams, volunteers, partner agencies and groups, and those who assist us in achieving our objectives as outlined in the Community Supporting Police Inc. (CSP) Constitution enough. With great sincerity, I thank all of you for your assistance in helping CSP undertake its role to assist members of the Queensland Police Service (QPS) in times of need.

2022 has been a busy year. The Brisbane metropolitan and regional branches have undertaken community engagements to raise the profile of CSP through positive interactions with community members and raising funds that maintain the network of emergency welfare properties located in Brisbane, Toowoomba, Rockhampton, Townsville, Cairns and Einasleigh. In the Brisbane area, CSP members attended the Pine Rivers Show, Caravan and Camping Show, Brisbane Exhibition and the addition of a new event, the QPS Recruiting Open Day held at the Bob Atkinson Operational Capabilities Centre, Wacol (BAOCC).

In 2005, as a result of a business case undertaken by QPS, the then Labor Government granted approximately 130 acres located at Wacol to build a new police academy. \$450M was allocated for the build of the new academy however, due to world events including the Global Financial Crisis in 2008 the new academy was not fully completed. Significant progress has been achieved in the establishment of the BAOCC that includes a driver training complex, firearms range and a Scenario Training Village with different street scapes including, a train station. The Scenario Training Village will contribute to the enhancement of recruits and sworn officers’ skills as they undertake a range of investigations in life like situations.

On the 14 September 2022 the CSP Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held at police headquarters. Commissioner Katarina Carroll APM, the Patron for CSP addressed the membership and provided an up-to-date overview of CSP activities. The Commissioner acknowledged the wonderful work carried out by Chaplain Doug Foster who has been involved with the QPS and CSP for twenty years. Although Doug will conclude his chaplaincy role in December and commence a new position within his church, he will remain an active CSP member.

The Commissioner also acknowledged the fund raising on Police Remembrance Day by the Blue Ribbon Committee of which CSP is a beneficiary. In addition, QBANK and the Queensland Police Union of Employees were acknowledged for their ongoing support of CSP. The Commissioner also expressed her gratitude for the work undertaken by the Helping Hand Fund on its outstanding contribution to help members that find themselves in circumstances needing support.

An important part of the AGM involved the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the QPS and CSP that formalised the thirty-one years of operation and provision of emergency welfare accommodation to members of the QPS and their families. The Commissioner also presented Service Certificates and Badges to CSP members who have attained service of 5 years, 10 years, 15 years, 20 years and 30 years.

Congratulations to all the recipients, in particular our 30-year recipients, Jenny Danslow and Greg Early.



(far left) Mrs Jenny Danslow with Commissioner Carroll and Mr Bryan Brown.
(left) Mr Greg Early (AM APM) with Commissioner Carroll and Mr Bryan Brown.

The election of office bearers for 2022-2023 was undertaken and the result is as follows:

The Executive:

- President Mr Dan Mahon
- Vice President and Facilities Manager (Windsor) Mr Bryan Brown
- Treasurer and Members registrar Mr Victor Serchen
- Secretary and Branch Liaison Mrs Cecelia Serchen

Appointees:

- Police Liaison Inspector Jason Overland
- Police Chaplaincy Representative Reverend Doug Foster
- Helping Hand Fund Representative Ms Nadene Sander (cont. pg.2)

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Portfolio Holders:

Blue Ribbon Committee representative Mr Col Diachkoff
Emergency Accommodation Coordinator and Brisbane Cleaner Mrs Peggy Campbell
Event Coordinator (Brisbane) Mrs Cecelia Serchen
Marketing and Promotions Officer Ms Deborah Nicholson
Merchandise Officer and Brisbane Police Beat Liaison Ms Colleen MacCarthy.

The Branch Committees based in Toowoomba, Rockhampton, Townsville and Cairns also held their respective elections. I thank all the management committee members and regional committee members for their unstinting support, efforts and advice throughout the year and into the future.

2022 also marked the 50th anniversary of the QPS Dog Squad. CSP was a sponsor for the workshops and 50th anniversary function held in Brisbane in July. CSP has a great affinity with the QPS Dog Squad, as part of our merchandise range is the Labradors and German Shepherds named after working police dogs.

I wish everyone a merry Christmas and happy New Year for 2023. The Management Committee is looking forward to working with the branch committees, other CSP members, the QPS, sponsors and members of the public to make 2023 a year of positive gains for CSP and continue our ability to support those in need.

We are always looking for good people to join CSP and assist in any way they can to support members of the QPS. Please consider work colleagues, friends or family members who you think would like to join a great organisation and support our QPS.

Stay safe and well.

Dan Mahon APM
President Community Supporting Police Inc.

As part of the 2022 CSP Annual General Meeting Commissioner Carroll presented Service Certificates and Badges in recognition of members valued commitment to CSP.

5 Years

Mr. Vic Callanan (Townsville) Northern Region Branch; Mr. Allan Dredge (Cairns) Far North Queensland Branch; Inspector Sharee Cummings (Brisbane); Inspector Leonie Fordyce (Brisbane); Mr. Jim Gordon (Brisbane); Mr. Mark Stewart (Brisbane).

10 Years

*Ms Kerri Butler (Brisbane).
Mrs. Peggy Campbell (Brisbane).
Mrs. Kim Kimeklis (Brisbane).
Mr. Russell Kimeklis (Brisbane).
Ms. Colleen MacCarthy (Brisbane).
Mrs. Cecelia Serchen (Brisbane).
Mr. Victor Serchen (Brisbane).*



(Above) Ms Colleen MacCarthy, Mrs Cecelia Serchen and Mr Victor Serchen with Commissioner Carroll and Mr Bryan Brown.



(far left) Mrs Fay Johnson and (left) Ms Nadene Sander with Commissioner Carroll and Mr Bryan Brown.

15 Years

*Mrs. Fay Johnson (Brisbane).
Ms. Nadene Sander (Brisbane).*

20 Years

Reverend Barry Cox (Townsville) Northern Region Branch; (see pg. 10 for photo of Reverend Barry Cox receiving his certificate from Inspector Joe Kitching)

Reverend Doug Foster (Cairns), Chair Far North Queensland Branch and Chaplaincy representative on CSP Management Committee.

**Congratulations
and Thank you!!!**

Address by Commissioner Katarina Carroll to the CSP AGM attendees:

“As Patron for CSP I welcome you to the 2022 AGM. Thank you to Chaplain Doug Foster for joining us via Teams from the Torres Strait and saying the prayer of thanks.

Tonight, I would also like to thank Chaplain Doug Foster for all his efforts over the last 20 years of service to Community Supporting Police’s Cairns Branch.

Chaplain Foster will conclude his Chaplaincy role at the end of this year and commence a new position within his church in early 2023. Great news for CSP as Chaplain Foster wishes to remain a member.

I am very appreciative and proud of the work that CSP does to support QPS members and their families.

CSP is an invaluable partner of the QPS, providing members of our police family with accommodation, at no charge, in times of emergency and during other family crisis.

Being able to provide members with emergency accommodation here in Brisbane and in the major regional centres of Townsville, Cairns, Rockhampton, and Toowoomba is a tremendous support at a time when our people are facing personal challenges

I extend my heartfelt thanks to each of the CSP Branches and their members represented here today for their unwavering support.

I’ve been advised by our Chaplaincy that the Units in Brisbane were impacted significantly by flooding and as such the units were not able to be used for some time and unfortunately some units are still not accessible to members or their families.

It is also wonderful to hear that it has been possible to assist other police jurisdictions when they have had members in Queensland who have been injured or become ill.

Supporting the ongoing maintenance and management of nine (9) emergency houses and units across Queensland is no small task. Particularly in light of the challenges we have faced as an organisation over the past few years with the impact of COVID-19.

I acknowledge and appreciate that community fundraising is essential to securing the necessary funds to maintain this accommodation. I am extremely grateful to all of the CSP members for their volunteering efforts to ensure these essential funds are collected.

And, due to the absence of fundraising events for more than 12 months because of the pandemic, the support of our sponsors and partners has never been more important.

I would like to sincerely thank the Blue Ribbon Committee for making CSP a beneficiary of funds raised on Police Remembrance Day. I note that Mr Greg Early is here with us this evening and I acknowledge his ongoing support.

I would also like to thank and acknowledge major sponsors of CSP, the Queensland Police Union of Employees, for their generous donation this year.

And again, I would like to recognise the unwavering support QBANK provides CSP each year.

I also wish to express gratitude for the work undertaken by the Helping Hand Fund sub-committee. I acknowledge the outstanding contribution the committee has made to help members that find themselves in circumstances needing support.

CSP epitomises the spirit of mateship and comradery. The value and comfort of knowing that someone is looking out for you, through good times and bad, is something that cannot be understated.

Humility, empathy and encouraging a sense of belonging speaks to the core of your commitment to the CSP and embodies the support you provide to our members and their families.

I congratulate and applaud you all on your proud history of fostering friendship between the community and police, their families, and friends.

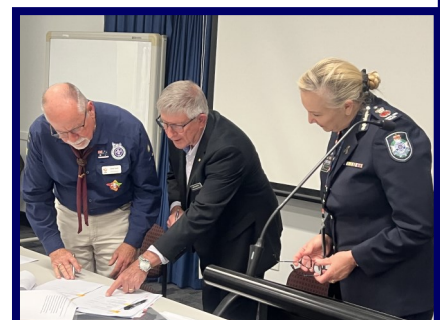
I commend you all for the work you have done over the past 12 months and the very positive impact it has had on our community. I wish you all the best for the next 12 months.

Tonight, we are also here for the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Queensland Police Service and Community Supporting Police.

This MOU marks the formalisation of a long-standing arrangement between the QPS and CSP and the provision of emergency welfare accommodation to members of the QPS and their families.

Thank you again for all your efforts, I am extremely proud of the work that CSP does to support QPS members and their families.”

To formalise this significant of signing the MOU Mr Brown invited the Chief Commissioner of Scouts Queensland, Mr Daryl Scott to witness both Commissioner Carroll’s and his signatures.



(Above) Mr Daryl Scott, Mr Bryan Brown and Commissioner Carroll.

The Guest Speaker for the CSP AGM was Acting Senior Sergeant Darren Breuer accompanied by Retired PD Leroy and PD Ice.

Before introducing Acting Senior Sergeant Darren Breuer and his companion PD Leroy, Ms Nicholson reflected on the long association CSP has with the QPS Dog Squad, our plush toys (German Shepherd and Labradors) are all named after four-legged members of the QPS. Ms Nicholson reflected on our recent collaboration with the Dog Squad's 50th Anniversary, as an invited sponsor CSP had the opportunity to display CSP merchandise at the Dog Squad's facility during their Workshop and at the 50th Anniversary function held at Suncorp Stadium in July.

Acting Senior Sergeant Darren Breuer, is currently relieving as the Officer in Charge of Brisbane Dog Squad Specialist Services Branch Operations Support Command, has been a Queensland Police Officer for 34 years. Starting his career as a 17 year old police cadet in January 1988 and was sworn in July 1989 and worked in general duties on the Gold Coast until 2000. It was during this time he was the victim of an attempted murder and received medal of valour for that incident.

In 2000 Darren was promoted to Sergeant General Duties at Cleveland, before transferring to Railway Squad for 6 years from 2004 and has been the Team Leader of the Brisbane Dog Squad working with Detection Dogs for past 12 years.

Acting Senior Sergeant Breuer began his presentation by mentioning "my dogs and my job are my favourite subjects". With retired PD Leroy, comfortable at his feet, Darren acknowledged all present, the work done by members of the QPS Dog Squad and their OIC Sergeant Peter Moore.

Darren explained that PD Leroy had retired 18 months ago and was the last of the QPS's Labradors, because 10 years ago, the QPS changed their breeding model to bring in more diversity into their squad and now the dogs are coming from Melbourne at 6 weeks of age.



Another change is that the Dogs are now trained in multiple facets of detection rather than a specific field. This change is a reaction to the environment in which the Dogs work and more concentrated involvement with major crime hence the Dogs are trained to detect drugs plus fire arms as well as cash and currency. Some Shepherds are now involved in drug detection where the circumstance do not involve searching people.

Springer Spaniels have also been introduced into the QPS Dog Squad for their quickness and agility and therefore they are usually involved with detecting human remains, while the Shepherds are utilised within general duties activities.

Acting Senior Sergeant Breuer showed a short video highlighting some of the training and activities of the Police Dog Squad's four legged members and the important role they play within the Service every day.



The video by "Bad Dog Productions" in memory of PD Zac 217, began with reference to sheep and wolves explaining the correlation of a police dog's commitment to serving the community in the fight against crime like a sheep dog protects the flock and thus services his master.

As everyone watched the video intently showing some of the action shots of the German Shepherds, it made us respect their strength, their agility plus the size of their teeth.

Reiterating his love of the dogs and his job mentioned he was pleased to be informed that the next white CSP Labrador will be named "PD Ice", after his current dog who was patiently waiting in the van to come in and enjoy some pats. With this, Acting Senior Sergeant Breuer thanked everyone for the opportunity to attend tonight and talk about his favourite subjects.

Ms Nicholson thanked Acting Senior Sergeant Breuer, PD Leroy, and PD Ice for their attendance and presented Acting Senior Sergeant Breuer with a Constable T. Bear as a small token of our appreciation. In closing Ms Nicholson commented on the video referring to a photo of a German Sheppard holding a paintbrush, saying "Several years ago, CSP held a fundraiser "Brush with the Law" where various paintings were donated for an auction; one such painting of paw prints was done by two of the Dog Squad's members: PD Eros & PD Edge.

Before heading out on the water this Christmas, ensure you have the required mandatory safety equipment for your size of boat, whether the boat needs to be registered and where you are operating.

Although VHF marine radios are not compulsory in private vessels, they allow communication with other vessels and rescue organisations. VHF marine radios are an inexpensive asset to have on board. Consider an EPIRB! This may be your only way of signalling for help.

Have a rescue plan in place should you get into difficulty on the water. Knowing who to call and what information to give them about your situation will help ensure a timely response.

Keeping your vessel well maintained, check all electrics, bilge pumps, marine radios and safety equipment prior to heading out. Be safe on the water this holiday period, show consideration towards other vessel operators and help others on the water when they need it.



Need support?

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

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.

Cairns: [Rev Gelee Louttit - Louttit.GlennD@police.qld.gov.au](mailto:Louttit.GlennD@police.qld.gov.au) (Far North Region Cairns & Tablelands)

Townsville: [Inspector Joe Kitching - Kitching.JoeJ@police.qld.gov.au](mailto:Kitching.JoeJ@police.qld.gov.au) (Northern Region)

Rockhampton: [Sergeant Amanda Warby - Warby.AmandaC@police.qld.gov.au](mailto:Warby.AmandaC@police.qld.gov.au) (Central Region)

Toowoomba: [Detective Senior Sergeant Paul McCusker — McCusker.PaulF@police.qld.gov.au](mailto:McCusker.PaulF@police.qld.gov.au) (Southern Region)

Police Liaison Officer: [Inspector Jason Overland — Overland.JasonP@police.qld.gov.au](mailto:Overland.JasonP@police.qld.gov.au) (State wide)

After Hours Chaplain: **0407 761 950**



Helping Hand is a charitable fund with Tax Deductibility Status and is a sub-committee of CSP.

The fund provides financial assistance to members of the QPS family who are affected by serious illness or personal trauma and meet the necessitous circumstances criteria.

Financial support of HH is vital for the Fund to continue to support members of the Queensland Police Service family.

Support can be provided through donations, sponsorship, payroll deductions and fund raising events.

The Helping Hand Committee work voluntarily to ensure donations are maximised towards providing financial assistance to all paid members of the QPS family in their time of need.

By making a tax deductible donation, as little as \$2.00 per pay, through your QPS payroll.

You can make difference.

Members of the QPS can create a fortnightly donation through ESS (instructions can be found on the Helping Hand page on the QPS intranet).

Not a QPS employee and would like to donate?

Make a donation through our GiveNow page at the following link:

<https://www.givenow.com.au/organisation/public/5308>

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CSP Brisbane Meetings Dates 2023

General Meeting: Wed 12th April (Time and Location to be advised)

Annual General Meeting: Wed 13th September 2023 (PHQ Roma Street Brisbane)

General Meeting: Wed 8th November 2023 (Time and Location to be advised)

PLEASE NOTE:

Due to possible future COVID restrictions: the style & location of these meetings will be decided closer to their respective dates. We thank you for your understanding.



**CELEBRATING 90 YEARS OF OPERATION
OF THE QUEENSLAND RETIRED POLICE ASSOCIATION (QRPA)**

By Greg Early, State President

Monday 5 September 1932, when permanent officers and Committee were appointed, has been taken as the formation date of the Queensland Retired Police Association.

The genesis for the creation of initially a 'Retired Police Officers Active Association' was the enactment by the Moore Government of the Financial Emergency Act 1932 which had the potential of reducing the pensions of retired police officers and police widows by up to 15%.

The 2022 annual general meeting of the QRPA was held at Police Headquarters on 5 September 2022, the same date and month of the formation year 1932.

During the year several things have been done, particularly by State Secretary Patricia Holden, to celebrate the 90 years of the operation of the QRPA.

These include:

- * The anniversary banner designed by John Maher of the Southern Downs and Granite Belt Branch.
- * Our commemorative coin suggested by Jim Byrne, Van Diemen's Land Branch, and designed by Ian Whyte, Near North Coast Branch, and his friend Jeff Field.
- * Commemorative wines created by member Andy Williams, SDGB Branch and owner of Hidden Creek Winery, Ballandean.

Recognition of our oldest members –

Veteran Member Hurtle Roy Shepherd, State Branch, 100 years on 1 November 2021 and Veteran Associate Member Alma Cecelia Edwards, Redlands Branch, 100 on 14 April 2022.

Certificates for members turning 90 during the QRPA's 90th year:

George Paff, LBL, Robert Dunkinson, State,
Dulcie Green, Townsville,
Patrick Kelly, Near North Coast,
Allan Hilker, State,
Roger Barlow, Hervey Bay,
Walter George Lane, State,
Marion Allison, Gympie,
Margaret Dwyer, Gympie,
Thomas Strain, Sunshine Coast,
William Bergin, State and
Brian Hooper, Townsville.

The 90th anniversary lunch was held at Geebung RSL Club on 12 September 2022.

Seventy four members and guests attended. During the luncheon, an appropriate cake was cut by Life Member and past Assistant Secretary Maureen Cummins.

Also, a poem entitled *The Retired Police Association* by Senior Sergeant Tim Beard was read by him during the luncheon. (see pg 7)

The QRPA is "a network of former members of the Queensland Police Service (QPS) or any other recognised Police Service, or a former Queensland Police Service Public Servant, who has retired or resigned from such Service with honour and has continued to be of good character and repute.

Partners of members and police widows/widowers (who are not otherwise eligible to join as members) are invited to join the Association as Associate Members.

For more information go to: admin@qrpa.asn.au

Congratulations
Queensland Retried Police Association
on your Anniversary



The members of Community Supporting Police wish to say thankyou to everyone who has: provided articles, sent through recipes and made contributions to this edition.

If you want to share: stories, recipes please email the secretary at secretary@csp.asn.au

We sincerely thank you for your continued support of CSP.

THE RETIRED POLICE ASSOCIATION

By Senior Sergeant Tim Beard.

I look around the room, at the many faces that I know
So many stories, myths and legends, recounted blow by blow
Eyes that look right through me, eyes that have seen it all
Retired Police who've hung up their guns, but still ready to answer the call.

Years and years of mateship, and the blue might doing right
In a flash its all over, you're no longer in the fight
Looking for things to do at home, instead of at the station
But there's a handshake and a knowing look at the Retired Police Association.

They gather in their numbers and the ranks no longer matter
Warriors of justice, sharing memories, beer and chatter
The lines on their faces trace the journeys of their noble path
Going hard into the eye of the storm and dealing with the aftermath.

A lifetime of living, packed into every year
On any given day, laughter, tears and fear
Facing violence and horror and human abomination
Rarely any gratitude, but public condemnation.

But through it all, you found the good, and followed your strong heart
Tolerated uncouth partners, and that awful nightshift fart
The "Ways and Means Act" and obscure legislation
There's plenty of tall stories at the Retired Police Association.

You remember an old mate, as you silently shed a tear
He's not here today, to share a laugh and a beer
He never hesitated, but he never made it home
Lying and dying in his blood, frightened and alone.

You remember marching out on that sacred acre, like it was yesterday
So proud in front of your family, that you'd chosen the right way
Drunken nights and terrible fights and hurdles in the job
But you never faltered against those who would kill, hurt and rob.

Birthdays and Christmases disappearing like morning mist
Retirement parties, empty homes and grandchildren kissed
You don't miss the job, but you miss it all the same
You see a grub from yesteryear, and you still remember the mongrel's name.

You talk of how the job has changed and the younger generation
You wonder what it'll be like when they join the Retired Police Association
Along with war stories, you discuss all your medications
And the Viagra you take for your marital relations!

You've lived a life of honour, so stand tall and proud
Let the good times roll, still get messy and loud
Support our young officers, because each one is one of you
The only thing keeping society safe is our band of blue.

I look around the room and my heart swells with pride
For what you did and didn't do, on your righteous ride
I salute every one of you, the retirement you deserved
Thank-you one and all, with honour you served.

CSP members Vic and Cecelia Serchen had the pleasure of attending representing CSP at the QBank Everyday Heroes Awards ceremony on Wednesday 12th October 2022.

For the past 8 years these awards acknowledged members of our wonderful Queensland emergency services community who have shown extraordinary dedication to their respective organisations and the wider Queensland communities in which they serve.

There were 120 nominations for the six categories the winners in each category received \$1,000 cash and \$1,000 donated to their charity of choice.

CSP would like to congratulate and thank all the nominees, finalists and winners for their dedication and wiliness to go above and beyond to support members of our Queensland community.



The 2022 QBank Everyday Heroes Awards ceremony was a huge success and was enjoyed by all who attended.

The event saw the award winners recognised by the community for the remarkable impact they have in the Queensland: Police, Fire, Ambulance, Health, Corrections, Justice, and Public Service employees. The six award categories include Achievement, Ownership, Dedication, Working Together, Excellence, and the Young Everyday Hero Award. We were proud to see so many nominations come through and to have most of the finalists in attendance on the day.

Congratulations to the winners for 2022:

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| Achievement | – | Inspector Darren Randall, Queensland Police Service. |
| Dedication | – | Police Liaison Officer George Leon, Queensland Police Service. |
| Excellence | – | Constable Kimberly Allen & AO3 Tracey Eelkema,
Queensland Police Service (Joint Winners). |
| Ownership | – | Monique Rashford, Queensland Corrective Services. |
| Working Together | – | Brad Stokes, Joshua Lee, Prudence Snedden, Anthony Crompton,
Queensland Ambulance Service. |
| Young Everyday Hero Award | – | Ameya Jaurigue. |

To read more about the winner’s achievements, visit <https://www.qbank.com.au/2022-edha-winners/>

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From the Branches



From Cairns: (photo left)
A photo taken by QPS Chaplain and CSP member Doug Foster.

The water falls at Wujal Wujal, which is one of the Stations QPS Chaplain and CSP member Doug Foster visits when travelling on the coastal road between Cooktown and Port Douglas, on the Bloomfield River.

Beautiful photo



From Townsville
(Photo left)

Inspector Joe Kitching presenting Reverend Barry Cox with his 20 Year Service Certificate and Badge. Reverend Cox is a valued member of the CSP Northern Region Committee, his dedication and commitment to the QPS members and their families over the past 20 years is very much appreciated.

Congratulations and Thank you!!!



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cars are stolen using the car's keys

DON'T GIFT YOUR KEYS TO THIEVES

From the Branches



From Toowoomba (left) Cheque presentation, \$5,200 from Heritage Community bank Highfields & Crows Nest Branch.

The donation was the proceeds from the Brett Forte Memorial Rugby Union Day held on 3rd September.

CSP Toowoomba Branch Secretary, Mrs Roz Making (front centre) advised these funds will be used for the Colorbond fence at Shaunagh House (Southern Region Emergency Welfare facility)

Thank you



From Central Region (phot left) A very happy Junior Police Officer from Bundaberg enjoying themselves in the recently converted ‘mini police car’ whose previous identity was a shopping centre ride “baby taxi”.

“Paddy” as the car has become know was obtained through a success bid at a tender centre and is the result of product of a joint project between the Burnett Heads Neighbourhood Watch and a lot of hard work from local police staff and a handy police officer’s husband.

Now, when the Bundaberg Police attend emergency services day events, Paddy can compete with the QAS’s mini ambulance to see which vehicle gets the most attention from the children.

So far it appears that Paddy has been a great draw card thus providing positive community engagement and enhancing the relations between children and police.

Thanks to Senior Constable Brittany Duncan and Sue Rewald from Maryborough Crime Prevention for their continued support of CSP through their selling of CSP merchandise at the various events and for providing the photo and information here.

Congratulations and Welcome!!!

Community Supporting Police would like to send a warm welcome to three new members: Assistant Commissioner Mark Wheeler, and Senior Sergeant Kelly Hanlen (CSP Helping Hand Fund), Superintendent Dean Cavanagh(Northern Region Townsville Branch), Senior Constable Natasha Marshall (Central Region Rockhampton Branch).

It is indeed great to have you join us in our quest to ‘support those who support us’.

Your support at fundraising and promotional activities to assist in maintaining emergency welfare accommodation facilities or raise funds for the CSP Helping Hand Fund is indeed gratefully appreciated.

Congratulations again.

We look forward to working with you and hopefully catch up in person sometime in the future.

Thank you



Community Supporting Police Inc.
acknowledges our wonderful sponsors and supporting businesses.

QBANK our major supporter, for their ongoing financial and promotional support and the provision of staff to assist in the selling of CSP merchandise at major events.

The Queensland Union of Employees
for their continued support.

The Queensland Police Service
for their ongoing support through our Patron Commissioner Katarina Carroll, officers and civilian staff members for their guidance and assistance.

Brad and the team at HUNTER Promotional Products & Uniforms
for their continued and valuable support of our organisation.

For this generosity
Community Supporting Police Inc
is extremely thankful.

Protect others and stop the spread <https://www.health.gov.au/news/health-alerts/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov-health-alert>

We can all help slow the spread of COVID-19 in Australia.

To protect others you must:

- * practise [good hygiene](#);
- * practise [physical distancing](#);
- * understand how to [self-isolate](#) if you need to; and
- * when required [wear a face mask](#).

Stay safe
Stay strong
&
Stay healthy

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Call this line if you are seeking information on Coronavirus (COVID-19) or help with the COVID Safe app. The line operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

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Community Supporting Police Inc



Support those ...who support you

Community Supporting Police Inc (CSP) is a community driven organisation which is devoted to raising funds to provide comfort and support to members of Queensland Police families in times of crisis and or trauma.

Since its inception in 1991, CSP has continued to raise funds to provide emergency accommodation to hundreds of QPS families who have required assistance. Requests for assistance are made through the Police Chaplaincy Unit or Human Services Officer.

Membership is \$20 per year



Helping Hand is a registered charity and is a sub-committee of CSP. Helping Hand provides financial assistance and a communication network to members of the QPS families affected by serious illness or personal trauma.

QPS members can make tax deductible donations to Helping Hand through their payroll

**(instructions can be found on the
Helping Hand page on the QPS intranet)**

For more information about
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Queensland Country Women’s Association

The Queensland Country Women’s Association’s (QCWA) Country Kitchens program is a health promotion program supporting communities across Queensland to adopt healthier lifestyle behaviours.

It is a partnership between the QCWA and Health and Wellbeing Queensland.

Country Kitchens is the flagship program of the association. <https://qcwacountrykitchens.com.au/>

The program assists QCWA volunteer Branch and supporter members, who already have a wealth of cooking knowledge and skills, with training and support to help improve the health and wellbeing of Queenslanders, particularly those living in rural, regional and remote locations.

The Country Kitchens team of dietitians and nutritionists provide a training PATHway and assistance to QCWA members – Supporter members and Branch members - who volunteer to become facilitators of the program. Country Kitchens facilitators deliver health promotion activities in their local communities and partner with organisations such as schools, local councils and a wide range of community groups.

The Country Kitchens program is improving food and nutrition literacy, and importantly, influencing behaviour change at a grass roots level.

A central part of the program is the creation of healthy recipes. We have created a raft of delicious healthy alternatives or modified everyday recipes to show Queenslanders just how easy it is to make healthier choices. <https://qcwacountrykitchens.com.au/recipes/>

Empowering women through education and health is a priority for the Queensland Country Women’s Association (QCWA). The QCWA Country Kitchens program, funded by the Queensland Government through Health and Wellbeing Queensland, supports Queenslanders to adopt healthier lifestyles. To find out more about the program visit <https://qcwacountrykitchens.com.au/>.

The recipes on page 13 have been reproduced with the permission of the QCWA Country Kitchens program.

The holidays should be a fun and exciting time spent with family and friends however, sometimes in the rush of purchasing gifts, excitement of departing on a trip home, vehicle and property security can be overlooked. Many thefts occur when residents are complacent so remember **LOCK**; Lock your home, keep valuables out of sight, call police and keep a look out for any suspicious behaviour. Ipswich Crime Prevention Officers have a few trips to help you have a wonderful festive season.

Lock doors and windows – be extra vigilant about locking doors and windows when you leave your house or apartment, even if it is just for a few minutes. Make sure your garage door is closed completely before you drive off.

Keep your valuables out of sight – do not display your property near windows so that they are easily visible from outside of the house. Take a walk around outside to see if valuable is visible through windows.

Travel safe – if you are travelling this Christmas to visit family and friends, ensure you drive to the conditions of the road, obey the speed signs, don’t drive tired or under the influence of drugs or alcohol and buckle up.

Redirect mail – if you are going on holidays, arrange for your mail to be collected or redirected, and newspapers collected or cancelled.

Social media – avoid sharing too much information on social media about your movements or what you got from Santa, you don’t want an unexpected visitor stealing your gifts and valuables.

Hiding spots – burglars know where to look for the hidden door key near the front entrance. DO NOT hide spare keys under rocks in flowerpots, under door mats, or above door ledges. Instead, consider giving the spare key to a trusted family member, friend or neighbour.

Gift box disposal – after Christmas day, do not pile up bulky gift boxes in your recycling bin for a passer-by to see. Burglars appreciate knowing that you have expensive gifts inside for them to steal. Break the boxes down or cut them up to better conceal the items.

Property security – if you go out for the evening, turn on lights and a television so that the house appears to be occupied. Do not leave a detailed message on your home answering machine, burglars like to hear that they have plenty of time to break in and steal what you treasure. Make it your New Year’s resolution to make a list of the serial numbers and engrave your property newly acquired at Christmas.

Handbags and wallets – whilst on holidays, be extra careful with your bags and wallets. Carry a bag with the strap across your body. Keep a wallet in an inside jacket pocket, not a back trouser pocket. Do not leave handbags unattended in a shopping trolley and zip and secure them when not in use.

Personal safety – when it comes to your personal safety, always be alert and aware of your surroundings, and act on your instincts. Always tell your family and friends of your travel plans and provide them with your itinerary so they know where you are and how to contact you in an emergency.

<https://mypolice.qld.gov.au/ipswich/2022/01/03/10-crime-prevention-tips-for-the-holiday-period>

Fiona McKenzie's Cauliflower Crumbed Chicken (serves 6)

Recipe from <https://www.qcwacountrykitchens.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2021>

Ingredients:

¼ cauliflower head, trimmed, finely grated,
 10 sage leaves, finely chopped,
 10 mint leaves, finely chopped,
 60g Dutch, edam or gouda cheese, grated,
 1 egg, lightly beaten,
 12 skinless chicken tenderloins.

Something a little different !!

Method:

1. Preheat the oven to 180°C. Line tray with baking paper.
2. Combine the cauliflower, sage, mint and cheese in a medium sized bowl, it should resemble a fine crumb.
3. Pour the beaten egg into a shallow dish, coat each tenderloin in egg before coating with the cauliflower and herb crumb.
4. Place each piece of crumbed chicken on the baking tray and bake for 10 minutes, turning and return to oven for further 10-15 minutes.
5. Test a piece in the thickest part of the chicken, when cooked the flesh is white and juice is clear.
6. Serve with your choice of rice and a garden salad.

What's Great about this recipe:

The cauliflower and herb crumb is tasty, light and full of flavour. Swapping breadcrumbs for a cauliflower crumb is also a great way to get added veggies into your day!

Aleks Lukovic's Lemon Myrtle and Macadamia Crumble Serves: 8

Recipe from <https://qcwacountrykitchens.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/>

Ingredients:

Tart

2 apples, chopped,
 2 pears, chopped,
 1 ½ teaspoons dried lemon myrtle leaves,
 ½ teaspoon ground cinnamon,
 Pinch ground nutmeg,
 ½ cup water.

Crumble Topping:

2 tablespoons butter, cut into cubes,
 ½ cup wholemeal plain flour,
 ½ cup oats,
 ⅓ cup macadamias, roughly chopped,
 2 tablespoons brown sugar,
 ¼ teaspoon ground cinnamon.

Sweet and Spicy Desert !!

Method:

1. Add apples, pears, lemon myrtle and spices to a saucepan and mix well.
2. Cook fruit mixture with ½ cup of water over low heat for 10 minutes, until the fruit has softened.
3. Add all topping ingredients to a frypan and mix until it resembles crumbs.
4. Turn heat on low and cook while stirring until toasted and golden brown.
5. Set aside.
6. Assemble the apple and pear filling in eight small cups and top with the oat crumble.
7. Serve with your favourite ice cream or whipped cream or yogurt.

What's Great about this recipe:

A popular Australian desert with a native twist! Lemon Myrtle.

Lemonier than lemon" It is a sweet yet spicy, with intense, refreshing citrus notes that elevate the stewed apples and pears. Macadamia nuts have been added to the crumble and give the crust of the desert a beautiful texture.

CSP member Vic Serchen (photo right) attended the Qld Police E-scooter Awareness event held at Pelican Park, Clontarf on Saturday the 12 November, where JP Teddy enjoyed a ride with one of the riders in the scooter run.



CSP members Debbie Nicholson and Dan Mahon (below) attended the Queensland Police Service (QPS) Recruit Open Day at the Bob Atkinson Operational Capability Centre (BAOCC) Wacol on Saturday 5 November.



CSP members from across the state attended local National Police Remembrance Day Commemoration Services to show respect, acknowledge and honour all Police Officers from across Australia and the Pacific Region, who have died in the line of duty as well as other employees who have passed away from injury or illness.

National Police Remembrance Day

29 September 2022

With honour they served



(above) Junior Police Officer Barrett meeting Sharon and Police recruit Jasmin at Roma Street Station on National Police remembrance Day.

(above right) Blue Ribbon collection at Central Station

(right) Blue Ribbon collection at Fortitude Valley Station.

The Members of the Blue Ribbon wish to thank all the members of the public for their wonderful donations, which will be distributed to Police Legacy, Blue Hope, and Community Supporting Police .





Queensland Police Service
Key Ring
\$5.00.
(Suitable for engraving
great for graduation gift).



CSP Pen in Pouch
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Queensland Police Service
Corporate Pen in Presentation box
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great for graduation gift).



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Geronimo
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working Police Horse
\$12.00

The members of Community Supporting Police Inc sincerely thank you for purchasing CSP merchandise as it provides CSP the funding required to maintain emergency welfare accommodation for Police Service members and their families in times of trauma and or crisis

Our Junior Police range can be viewed on page 18.

Our full catalogue is available online at www.csp.asn.au

Products are available for purchase through the CSP online store www.csp.asn.au



Police Dogs
(named after QPS working dogs)
\$12.00

&
at Police Headquarters Store Roma Street

CSP Junior Police Range

Children's clothing range



Junior Police Polo
slim fit children's size 2 to 12
\$30.00



Junior Police Cap
adjustable
\$10.00



(Above) Junior Police Constable Austin (top right) and Junior Police Constable Willow (Above left and right) modelling the complete Community Supporting Police Junior Police Uniform.

The Junior Police Cargo Pants have arrived and are available NOW!!!



Junior Police Cargo Pants
children's size 2 to 12
\$30.00

JUNIOR POLICE CARGO PANTS
APPROXIMATE SIZING CHART

SIZE	WAIST		OUTSIDE LEG
	NORMAL	EXTENDED	
2	46	56	52
4	50	62	64
6	52	64	73
8	54	68	78
10	56	70	86
12	60	72	91



Plush Junior Police Teddy
\$15.00



Plush Kangaroo with Junior Police bandana
\$12.00



Plush Emu with Junior Police bandana
\$12.00

Soft toy range

Order now for Christmas

As the Christmas decorations are hung and we prepare for 2023, the members of the CSP Management Committee send a huge thank you to everyone who has supported our organisation and members of the QPS during the year.

2022 has been a year dominated by weather and political events here in Queensland and across this great country we call home. For those impacted by disasters and tragedy, you are in our thoughts and as we focus on 2023 we wish everyone peace and happiness.

We hope you spend Christmas with families and friends, whether it is for activities in the wide open spaces (like Constable T. Bear a game of beach cricket or surfing the waves) or gathering in your home, we wish you all the best.



Pictures right and below courtesy of CSP's amazing member who produced the images of Constable T. Bear and Friends for our CSP 2021 calendar.



Thank you to our amazing members and the organisations who continue to support our Branches across Queensland in maintaining emergency welfare accommodation and providing support and funding to the many QPS members and their families who have been impacted by trauma and illness.

The work undertaken by the QPS Chaplains and welfare support officers continue to provide an avenue for CSP to engage with the QPS.

Thank you to our wonderful Brisbane based members and volunteers who have, with the relaxation of COVID-19 restrictions, been able to attend and increasing number of community events

and therefore been able to raise much needed funds and raise the profile of our great organisation.

Thanks must also go out to the businesses and organisations who regularly support and sponsor our organisation. To QBANK, the Queensland Police Service, the Queensland Police Service Union of Employees, Hunter Promotional Products and Caravanning Queensland we say a very big thank you.

A big thank you to all who have attended our events, purchased our merchandise, made payroll deductions or held events to raise funds on our behalf, for without you, CSP would not be financially able to pay for the maintenance of all our welfare accommodation across Queensland.

Community Supporting Police would like to take this opportunity to wish all our supporters and beneficiaries of our emergency accommodation and/or Helping Hand funds, a truly peaceful and joyous Christmas and every success and happiness for the year ahead.

We sincerely thank you for your continued support and look forward to working in partnership with you in 2023.

