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CSP Welcomes Commissioner Brett Pointing APM

The members of Community Supporting Police Inc. wish to congratulate Commissioner Brett Pointing APM on his appointment to the rank of Commissioner of the Queensland Police Service, taking effect from February 21, 2026 for a period of 12 months following the retirement of Steve Gollschewski APM.

Commissioner Pointing has strong personal connections with the Queensland Police Service: spanning in excess of 40 years. Since his graduation on 18 September 1981, the Commissioner has served in numerous roles including with the senior leadership group as Deputy Commissioner for five years, District Officer on the Gold Coast from 2004 to 2007 and disaster recovery coordinator for Bundaberg and the North Burnett in 2013

Throughout his career, Commissioner Pointing has demonstrated a strong commitment to frontline policing, community safety and supporting police officers to deliver the highest standard of service to Queenslanders, including as head of the task force targeting Outlaw Motorcycle Gangs, and a champion for prevention and first response to domestic and family violence.

Additionally, he has experience in policing at the commonwealth level, since transitioning to the Australian Federal Police in 2020 and serving as their Deputy Commissioner. [QPS Media on Feb 16, 2026 @ 10:59am](#)

More recently Commissioner Pointing has been a member on the Independent Advisory Panel of the Commissioner Gollschewski 100-Day Review of the Queensland Police Service.

<https://statements.qld.gov.au/statements/104518>

CSP Farewells Commissioner Steve Gollschewski APM



The members of Community Supporting Police extend their sincere and heartfelt thanks to Commissioner Gollschewski on his retirement on 20 February 2026. Commissioner Gollschewski has had a very long and distinguished career, and as CSP's Patron over the past few years, Commissioner Gollschewski has been supportive and encouraging of the work CSP does in support of the QPS family. Recently his support and approval for a new CSP toy is appreciated. Commissioner Gollschewski's acknowledgement and engagement with our band of volunteers at many functions has been amazing. Best wishes Commissioner to you and your family.

Autumn Newsletter – 2026 Edition Presidents' contribution

Welcome to the 2026 Autumn edition of the Community Supporting Police Inc. (CSP) newsletter. Over the Christmas/New Year break management committee members continued to work in the background to ensure that Queensland Police Service (QPS) members received assistance as required. Thank you to the Regional Committees, CSP helping Hand Fund and the QPS Chaplaincy for your support of members during times of need.

Management Committee Update

Our final meeting for 2025 was held on 10 December, closing out a productive year of service and community engagement. The first Management Committee meeting for 2026 took place on 11 February, setting the tone for another year of growth and commitment. (cont. pg. 2.)

President's Report Management Committee Update (cont. pg. 1)

Key Activities Between Meetings

- Development of a list of venues for CSP attendance throughout 2026.
- Approval and commencement of manufacturing for new CSP merchandise.
- Chaplaincy Unit continued to triage applications to use the nine emergency welfare properties located in Brisbane, Toowoomba, Rockhampton, Townsville and Cairns.
- Continued work by the Helping Hand team, assisting members across Queensland.

Congratulations and Acknowledgements

CSP members extend their warmest congratulations to Interim Commissioner Brett Pointing APM on his appointment as Commissioner of the QPS, effective 21 February 2026, following the retirement of Commissioner Steve Gollschewski APM. We thank Commissioner Gollschewski for his support of CSP during his term as Commissioner and wish Commissioner Pointing every success in the year ahead.

Thank You to Our Supporters

We gratefully acknowledge QBANK, Queensland Police Union (QPUE), and the Queensland Police Commissioned Officers Union (QPCOU) for their generous donations. Your support strengthens our ability to serve the members of the QPS.

Upcoming Events and Opportunities

A total of 11 graduation ceremonies are scheduled to be held at the Oxley Police Academy during 2026, and CSP will be proudly represented at each one. Graduation ceremonies will also be held at the Townsville Academy during the year. In addition, there will be approximately 30 events attended across Brisbane, the Gold Coast, and the Sunshine Coast. The Regional Committees will also attend events in their areas throughout the year. These events rely heavily on volunteer support, and we encourage members to get involved where possible.

The Australian Police & Emergency Services Games 2026 will be held from 10–17 October, and CSP's own Debbie Nicholson has stepped up to take on the challenge. That is, coordinating CSP's attendance to raise funds that assist in maintaining the five emergency welfare units in Brisbane. Our presence at the games will provide an opportunity for other police and emergency jurisdictions to learn how CSP supports members of the QPS. Debbie is releasing information on the CSP Facebook page throughout the year, so stay tuned.

We are incredibly grateful to the dedicated members who consistently step forward to assist at events — and we would love to welcome some new faces in 2026.

If you or someone you know is able to assist at events throughout the year, please contact the CSP Secretary, Mrs Cecelia Serchen.

Looking Ahead

Thank you to all members for your ongoing commitment and enthusiasm. Your efforts continue to strengthen the bond between the community and the Queensland Police Service.

Have a safe and rewarding year ahead.

Dan Mahon APM
President

CSP Brisbane General Meetings Dates 2026

General Meeting: Wed 8 April 2026

(Queensland Police Headquarters Roma Street Brisbane)

Annual General Meeting: Wed 9 September 2026

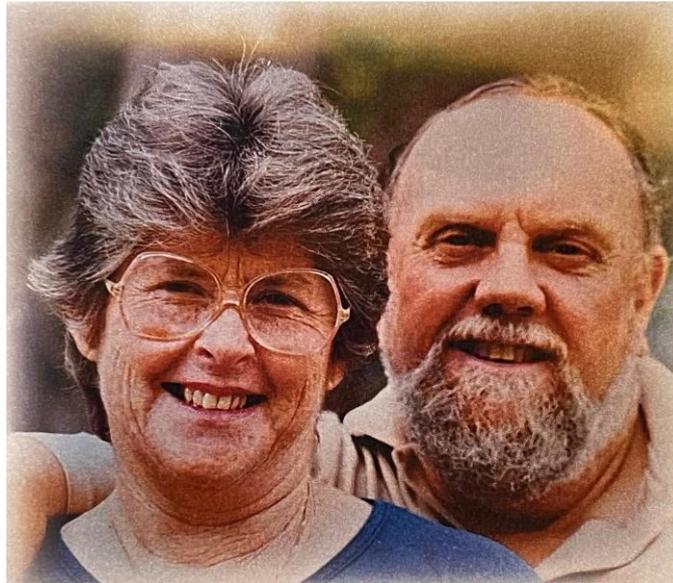
(Queensland Police Headquarters Roma Street Brisbane)

General Meeting: Wed 11 November 2026

(Queensland Police Headquarters Roma Street Brisbane)

Vale

Jenny Nelson



Community Supporting Police Inc. is honoured to remember our long serving Committee member Jenny Nelson who passed away on 25 December 2025.

Jenny and her late husband Colin (pictured above) were integral members of the CSP Management Committee for many years.

Both Jenny and Colin became key members of CSP through Colin's involvement as a member of Scouts Queensland and through family connections within the QPS.

Jenny contributed as a Management Committee member, volunteer at Behind the Crime and Brush with the Law events, however it is her contribution in assisting with the maintenance of the Brisbane welfare units that stands out.

Working tirelessly with Dot Stumer and other volunteers, Jenny ensured these units were well maintained and always ready for occupancy by QPS members and their families.

CSP thanks Jenny for her long commitment to CSP and the friendships she maintained long after her retirement.

Thank you Jenny
Rest in Peace

Toowoomba Australia Day Award: Toowoomba Citizen of the Year – Tony Rehn

The members of Community Supporting Police wish to congratulate fellow CSP member from our Southern Region (Toowoomba), Tony Rehn who was recognised for his passionate and commitment to community. These awards are presented to groups or citizens who have made an outstanding contribution to the Toowoomba Region community in the 2026 Australia Day Awards.

Tony, after re-locating from South Australian in 2006, with his infectious personality started to make his mark on the Toowoomba community. Not one for the limelight, but someone who loves to chat to people across different groups, Tony goes about his work under the radar, so this recognition is a testament to his community spirit.

Retiring from his role with the Queensland Police Service (QPS) in October 2023, in which he built strong relationships with people from all walks of life, Tony continues to foster positive community connections via numerous volunteering roles and as the head of community groups. These roles include but are not limited to working with the Peace committee, Toowoomba Together, Kiyua Performing Arts, a Youth Justice committee, Zonta, a First Nations committee and a community group supporting Police.

Tony is one of the founders and the current chair of Toowoomba Together, which previously was known as Toowoomba Says No To Violence. The group aims to educate the community on recognising and responding to domestic and family violence. In this capacity the group works with several Rotary groups as well as Griffith University to develop educational programs that can be accessed by the wider community. Like all the group’s members, Tony is committed to the goal where today’s generation will be the last generation that experiences or perpetrates domestic and family violence.

For the past 18 years, Tony has volunteered with Kiyua Performing Arts, which is a private, not-for-profit group that engages at risk children and youth via instruction in the performing arts to build resilience and a sense of self. Tony, who is a mentor to the Kiyua kids, teaches martial arts and self-protection and is often seen sitting on the floor speaking with the kids about healthy relationships, personal safety and general dad matters. He is a trusted and friendly presence in the lives of the club members, some of whom come from disadvantaged backgrounds.

The Kiyua kids know that Mr Tony will always be a constant in their lives. They share significant milestones, such as birthdays and weddings. His length of service means he is now a grandad to the next generation of Kiyua kids. He also connects with the Kiyua parents and can be found sitting, having a coffee and talking with them about all aspects of life.

Tony also promotes healthy relationships, personal safety and preventative education on domestic and family violence via voluntary presentations to many community groups, including scouts, cadets and community elders and has amazing connections with First Nations people and is a strong advocate for them. He also applies these same skills to dealings with Toowoomba’s diverse migrant groups as they adjust to their new lives. <https://www.tr.qld.gov.au/our-region/whats-on/events/16414-australia-day-award-recipients>

Congratulations & Thank you

Congratulations Tony & Peter



(photo left) Senior Sergeant Matthew Johnson, Peter Johnson and Acting Assistant Commissioner Shane Holmes who presented Peter with a Commissioner’s Certificate on 18 December, as an acknowledgement of Peter’s dedication and commitment to CSP and to the Queensland Police Service family.

“One of our most committed volunteers at CSP, Peter Johnson has been manning the stand at Brisbane graduations for 18 years, spreading the word on the support services CSP provides police, staff and their families and raising much needed funds. Last night he was celebrated with a presentation by the Assistant Commissioner with kind words and a certificate. Whilst not retiring from volunteering Peter is stepping back from these events. Thank you, Peter, for all you have done, and do, for the Blue family!” (CSP Facebook)

Zekes big chop – A selfless act of community spirit

Senior Constable Jo Arthur on Jan 30, 2026 @ 2:45pm

Every Thursday evening, Caboolture comes alive with the vibrant energy of the PCYC After Dark program at Dickson Park, where youth aged 12 to 18 engage in leadership, sporting, and mentorship activities alongside members of the PCYC and Queensland Police Service, led by Sergeant Mark Hastier from PCYC Caboolture.

Among the regular attendees is Zeke, a familiar face known for his warm smile, positive attitude, and, until recently, his trademark long hair.

For the past three years, Zeke has been growing his hair with a clear purpose. Last week, he made the courageous decision to cut it all off and donate it to an organisation that collaborates with local charities and wigmakers to create wigs for individuals experiencing hair loss due to medical conditions such as alopecia and cancer. His selfless act will provide comfort and confidence to those in need, reflecting his strong sense of community spirit.



Zeke's decision was deeply personal and shared his pride in knowing that his hair will help those in need. "Knowing my hair will help someone feel like themselves again makes it all worth it," Zeke said.

Cutting off his long hair, which had become part of his identity, was no small feat, but it underscores his commitment to making a meaningful difference. Zeke has also built a strong relationship with the local police through his involvement in the weekly After Dark program at Dickson Park.

Senior Sergeant Mel Bicanic, (pictured above) a regular mentor of the program, was there to support Zeke as he made his donation and reflected on her own pride in being a part of his leadership journey. "I'm so proud of Zeke for his decision to help others, he is such a valued member of our community," Senior Sergeant Bicanic said.

The After Dark program has become an important part of Zeke's life, providing a safe and inclusive space for young people to connect and engage in activities. His involvement has made him a role model, demonstrating the power of kindness and generosity.

Zeke's actions remind us of the importance of giving back and supporting others. Whether through his participation in the After Dark program, his connection with the local police, or his hair donation, Zeke continues to make a positive impact on his community.

The After Dark program runs every Thursday evening from 5 – 7 pm at Dickson Park, Morayfield Road, Morayfield (in front of the shopping centre) and is open to youth aged 12 to 18 years.

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Australia Day Honours List recognises outstanding efforts of QPS frontline officers and SES volunteers

QPS Media on [Jan 26, 2026 @ 6:04am](#)

The 2026 Australia Day Honours List has recognised seven Queensland Police Service (QPS) officers and three Queensland State Emergency Service (SES) volunteers, awarding them the prestigious Australian Police Medal (APM) and Emergency Services Medal (ESM).

Now in its 40th year, the APM recognises sworn officers who have gone above and beyond the expectations of their role or delivered significant contributions to policing. Commissioner of Police Steve Gollschewski APM said the nationally recognised medals were a testament to the professionalism and dedication shown by the recipients across their careers.

The ESM, now in its 27th year, recognises emergency services personnel who have achieved significant outcomes in emergency response, management, training or education.

“For more than 50 years, SES volunteers have stood beside Queensland communities, providing trusted support before, during and after emergencies,” SES Chief Officer Armstrong said and “the awards offered an opportunity to recognise the ongoing dedication, professionalism and service embodied by the state’s volunteers during challenging conditions”. <https://mypolice.qld.gov.au/news/2026/01/26/australia-day-honours-list-recognises-outstanding-efforts-of-qps-frontline-officers-and-ses-volunteers/>

Chief Superintendent David John Cuskelly APM. Chief Superintendent David Cuskelly has dedicated four decades to operational policing with the Queensland Police Service (QPS), demonstrating an unwavering commitment to frontline service and community safety. Beginning his career in 1986, policing in Far North Queensland including in remote Cape York communities, he quickly established himself as a capable and compassionate first responder. His service also includes being the officer in charge of Port Douglas, Indooroopilly and Brisbane City Station. Following his promotion to the commissioned officer ranks in 2007, Chief Superintendent Cuskelly maintained his commitment to frontline policing by undertaking the role of regional duty officer. As the district disaster coordinator during COVID-19, he led the initial cross-agency response to the Brisbane Youth Detention Centre outbreak, facilitating collaboration between health, corrections, and police agencies, while preserving employment under the government’s Unite and Recover framework. In 2023, as the district officer for North Brisbane, he launched the North Brisbane District Roadmap to better allocate resources, realigning the entertainment precinct policing to address community needs and establishing dedicated domestic and sexual violence teams to improve victim support. In 2025, as the acting Assistant Commissioner for Brisbane Region during Tropical Cyclone Alfred. Chief Superintendent Cuskelly’s contributions have significantly enhanced the QPS capability to respond to complex operational challenges, improved the resilience of both officers and systems under pressure, and elevated the overall responsiveness of frontline policing to meet evolving community needs and expectations.

Detective Senior Sergeant Anthony Paul Green APM. Detective Senior Sergeant Anthony Green has served the Queensland Police Service (QPS) since 1989, building a distinguished career focused on frontline policing, investigative excellence, and leadership. Currently the officer in charge of the Caboolture Criminal Investigation Branch since 2012, Detective Senior Sergeant Green has led the investigative response to over 25 homicides and 30 major operations involving organised crime, drug trafficking, and robberies in one of Queensland’s busiest and most dynamic policing districts. Detective Senior Sergeant Green is widely respected as a mentor and coach, dedicating over 28 years to developing plain clothes investigators and improving investigative capabilities across his teams to meet the demands of a rapidly growing Moreton Police District. Detective Senior Sergeant Green’s sustained frontline operational roles and strategic leadership have ensured the QPS’s ability to respond effectively to major crime, uphold public safety, and support its workforce, making him an invaluable asset to Queensland policing.

Beyond investigations, he leads community engagement initiatives, notably organising the annual Bronze by the Lake charity event, which has raised funds for Blue Hope, supporting police officers’ health and welfare nationwide. (cont. pg. 7)

(Australia Day Honours List cont. p 6) **Detective Chief Inspector Alisa Anne La Pila** APM Detective Chief Inspector Alisa La Pila has dedicated 30 years to the Queensland Police Service, with a strong focus on frontline policing and serious crime investigations. She has led complex operations in areas such as child protection, organised crime, and internal investigations, consistently demonstrating professionalism, integrity, and leadership. Throughout her career, she has held key frontline investigative roles within the Criminal Investigation Branch, Child Protection and Investigation Unit, Child Abuse and Sexual Crime Group, Organised Crime and Gangs Group and Ethical Standards Command. In 2020, Detective Chief Inspector La Pila played a critical role in Operation Uniform Cavan, Queensland's most significant terrorist incident, where she coordinated the regional investigative response following the deaths of two police officers, a civilian, and three offenders. Her calm leadership under intense pressure helped guide her team and achieve significant outcomes. She has also delivered national crime prevention strategies by developing best practice guidelines for disrupting outlaw motorcycle gang activity, advancing Queensland's policing capability in this area. Detective Chief Inspector La Pila has consistently advanced operational excellence, team development, and strategic alignment. Her frontline experience contributes to her current success in leading integrity-based investigations and informs her leadership, fosters high performance, and contributes to public confidence in policing.

Assistant Commissioner Glenn Morris APM Commenced his 30 plus years of dedicated service as a constable in 1990. His early career was deeply rooted in investigative policing, serving in Gympie, Toowoomba, and Kingaroy Criminal Investigation Branches. His commitment to youth justice and frontline investigations laid a strong foundation for his leadership roles. Throughout his career, Assistant Commissioner Morris has consistently demonstrated the ability to lead in high-pressure environments, particularly in frontline policing contexts. Notably, as the assistant commissioner for the Northern Region from 2022 to 2024, he led strategic responses during a period of intense youth crime in Townsville and Mt Isa, balancing operational effectiveness with community consultation to restore public safety and trust. These efforts resulted in innovative resourcing and a reduction in volume crime. His frontline leadership was also evident in the Mackay Whitsunday District, where he revitalised district morale, rebuilt community confidence, and led the local COVID-19 response, coordinating across health, tourism, and industry. His establishment of youth co-responder teams and crime action committees was critical to enhancing frontline engagement and outcomes. Assistant Commissioner Morris's operational experience also includes managing large-scale events in Brisbane, overseeing high-risk protest responses related to the Adani mine, and serving as the district disaster coordinator during bushfires and other weather related events. Renowned for innovation, workforce support, and public engagement, Assistant Commissioner Morris has shaped frontline policing through mentorship, reform, and strategic insight, cementing his legacy as a trusted and transformative policing leader.

Chief Inspector David Neville APM has dedicated over 35 years to the Queensland Police Service, with a strong focus on forensic policing, particularly in DNA analysis, since 2017. In 2023, Chief Inspector Neville's frontline contribution was pivotal in the Commission of Inquiry into Forensic DNA Testing in Queensland, where his courage and unwavering pursuit of truth uncovered serious deficiencies within the state's forensic laboratory, these actions have directly led to one of the most substantial overhauls of a forensic facility in Australian history, restoring public confidence in forensic policing and reinforcing the foundation for evidence-based frontline investigations. Chief Inspector Neville has supported frontline police by ensuring DNA evidence is reliable, accurate, and accessible, aiding in the identification, arrest, and conviction of offenders. His leadership in establishing internationally recognised ISO standards for forensic science has ensured consistency in forensic practices, benefiting criminal investigations across jurisdictions and enhancing the global fight against crime. He also championed the implementation of National Association of Testing Authorities accreditation within Queensland's forensic services, an essential reform that elevated the accountability and scientific rigour of frontline policing operations. Hosting the final ISO standards meeting in Brisbane in 2024, Chief Inspector Neville secured international consensus on five forensic standards, shaping global best practice. Widely respected nationally and internationally, his ongoing contributions continue to strengthen operational policing outcomes through scientific excellence, ensuring frontline officers are equipped with trusted forensic tools to serve victims and deliver justice.

Senior Sergeant Mark Whitnall APM has dedicated his extensive policing career to enhancing frontline service delivery, primarily within Far North Queensland. A consistent presence in operational policing since 1985, he has held key frontline leadership roles, including operations manager, regional crime prevention coordinator, and security and counter-terrorism network operations leader. Senior Sergeant Whitnall's contributions are characterised by strategic operational planning, high-level community engagement, and the development of practical training programs tailored to real-world risk environments. (cont. pg. 8)

(Australia Day Honours List cont. pg. 7) Throughout his career, Senior Sergeant Whitnall has been at the forefront of multi-agency operational planning, notably leading live-action exercises at Cairns Airport simulating armed offender, terrorism, and disaster response scenarios. These exercises enhanced frontline readiness, interagency coordination, and contemporary emergency procedures. During the COVID-19 pandemic, his leadership facilitated the coordinated response across agencies including the Australian Defence Force, Australian Federal Police and Australian Border Force, directly supporting border enforcement and community safety operations in remote and at-risk areas. In addition to operational leadership, Senior Sergeant Whitnall's work in education and training roles empowered junior officers and enhanced preparedness across all ranks. He was instrumental in standing up the Regional Police Operations Centre to support frontline disaster response efforts. Highly respected for his professionalism, integrity, and proactive risk mitigation, Senior Sergeant Whitnall is a key contributor to the safety and operational resilience of the Far Northern Region. His leadership continues to shape frontline policing outcomes across Queensland.

Mr (then Chief Inspector) Roger Whyte APM has devoted over 40 years to frontline policing across Queensland, throughout his career, he has held critical operational roles including as the officer in charge of Deeragun Police Station, district inspector for Roma, and patrol inspector of the Tactical Services Group in Townsville. Mr Whyte's frontline expertise shines in managing high-risk incidents such as armed sieges, community unrest, suspicious device responses, and natural disasters. Notably, during the 2004 Palm Island unrest, he led police through volatile riots, ensuring officer safety and successful evacuation despite the police station being set ablaze. As the district inspector for Roma, he coordinated large-scale disaster responses, including the historic 2012 floods, overseeing evacuations and resource deployments that saved lives. Mr Whyte's leadership in Townsville's Tactical Services Group involved directing Rapid Action Patrols and the Tactical Crime Squad to disrupt youth crime through innovative policing strategies and intelligence-led operations. Committed to frontline staff wellbeing, Mr Whyte prioritised resourcing, training, and support to officers under his command, fostering professional growth and health initiatives. Since 2020, he has driven the fight against youth crime in Townsville, coordinating multi-resource lockdown operations targeting crime hotspots and significantly improving community confidence. Beyond frontline policing, he established the Rugby League Helping the Community program, using sport to engage at-risk youth and reduce offending. Mr Whyte's career reflects unwavering dedication to operational policing, officer welfare, and community safety, reinforcing Queensland Police Service's frontline capability and public trust. Mr Whyte retired from the Queensland Police Service in 2025

Since 2006, Mrs Danielle Bull ESM, a highly experienced SES volunteer has shown outstanding leadership and sustained commitment to frontline emergency management. Her leadership and expertise were critical in managing the Queensland State Emergency Service (SES) response to the North Queensland floods in February 2025 and the devastation caused by ex-Tropical Cyclone Alfred in March 2025. Mrs Bull led high-risk SES operations in hazardous conditions, ensuring the safety of communities across vast regions. Her decisions under pressure directly contributed to the protection of lives and property in some of the most challenging operational environments faced by the SES. Mrs Bull currently serves full-time as an area controller and acts as a regional director when required, where she collaborates closely with police and other emergency services. Mrs Bull is co-founder of the Scenic Rim Mountain Goats, a specialised SES land search unit operating in rugged and remote terrain. Under her leadership, the unit completes up to 50 deployments annually and has advanced search-and-rescue capabilities through rigorous fitness training and the adoption of drone technology. In addition to her emergency response work, Mrs Bull has contributed hundreds of hours supporting Queensland Police Service land search operations across multiple jurisdictions. Her hands-on service, strategic insight, and unwavering commitment to public safety exemplify the highest standards of emergency service. Her leadership continues to set benchmarks for Queensland SES operations statewide.

Ms Jennifer Ann Crump, ESM for distinguished service as a member of an Australian emergency service. Ms Jennifer Crump has been a dedicated volunteer with the Queensland State Emergency Service (SES) since 2006. She currently serves as a group leader, unit trainer, and unit duty officer within the Brisbane City Unit. Ms Crump has demonstrated exceptional operational leadership, particularly during major events such as the Brisbane floods, Ex-Tropical Cyclone Alfred, Tropical Cyclone Debbie, the 2019 North Queensland floods, and the 2025 North Queensland severe weather event. She also supported major public safety operations during the 2017 G20 Summit and the 2018 Commonwealth Games. A passionate trainer, Ms Crump has delivered training for over 11 years, including for high-risk SES functions, often volunteering outside her region to ensure statewide member competency. Ms Crump has served as a group leader since 2019, remains an active duty officer and leads the Northern Monday Group with unwavering leadership and dedication.

(cont. p 9)

(Australia Day Honours List cont. p 8) In addition to her operational and training roles, she contributes at a governance level, serving on both state and national emergency services volunteer associations, including serving as the national treasurer for the Australasian Institute of Emergency Services. Ms Crump's dedication to supporting SES members' welfare and motivation, combined with her reliable commitment to training and operations, underscore her exceptional contribution to both the Queensland SES and the Queensland community.

Ms Amanda Lee Johnson, ESM has dedicated over 16 years to the Queensland State Emergency Service (SES), serving on the frontline of some of the state's most challenging emergencies. Her operational experience is extensive and includes flood and swift water rescues, storm damage response, search and rescue for missing persons, incident management, and the recovery of deceased individuals. As a qualified flood boat operator, Ms Johnson has been regularly deployed into high-risk flood zones to perform life-saving rescues, evacuate residents and conduct welfare checks, often in hazardous conditions involving fast-moving water, low visibility, and unstable terrain. Ms Johnson has also played a vital role in storm damage response following cyclones, hailstorms, and severe wind events. Her duties include clearing fallen trees, securing damaged roofs, stabilising structures, and preventing further harm to life and property. These tasks are physically demanding, often conducted in dangerous conditions and over extended periods. Ms Johnson has carried out numerous body recoveries under deeply confronting circumstances, where her professionalism and compassion have earned the respect of her peers and partner agencies. In her current role as the deputy local controller for training. Ms Johnson is highly experienced in incident management and regularly supports the coordination of large-scale responses through planning, logistics, operational decision-making and continues to train regularly, participate in inter-agency exercises, and enhance capability across the SES. ...

Outstanding efforts of current Queensland Police Service member recognised with Medal of the Order of Australia

QPS Media on [Jan 26, 2026 @ 1:01am](#)



A Queensland Police Service (QPS) member has been awarded the prestigious Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) in recognition of his dedication to the for LGBTIQ+ community, community safety and outstanding service.

Established in 1975, the OAM recognises Australians who have consistently demonstrated significant contributions to community or an exceptional achievement.

West End Police Station Acting Sergeant Ben Bjarnesen BM OAM, was recognised with the Medal of the Order of Australia for his service to LGBTIQ+ communities across Queensland, and his work within the domestic and family violence sector.

Across his policing career Acting Sergeant Bjarnesen BM OAM has been an advocate for LGBTIQ+ community members and victim-survivors of domestic and family violence.

In addition to his frontline duties, Ben has founded multiple organisations including the LGBTQ Domestic Violence Awareness Foundation as well as joined forces with multiple support services including but not limited to: DVConnect, Founder and Managing Director, LGBTQ Domestic Violence Awareness Foundation, since 2019. Co-Founder, Anything But Straight, 2011-2012. Ambassador, NO MORE Campaign, 2019-2024 President, Roma Branch, Queensland Blue Light Association, 2010-2012. • Firefighter, Queensland Fire and Emergency Service, 2009-2012. Queensland Police • LGBTI Liaison Officer, since 2010. • Founding Committee Member, LGBTI+ Support Network, 2015-2021.

Ben has also received other Awards and recognition including a Bravery Award in 2015

<https://mypolice.qld.gov.au/news/2026/01/26/outstanding-efforts-of-current-qps-member-recognised->

The members of Community Supporting Police wish to extend our sincere Congratulations all the Award recipients and thank them for their continued dedication to their roles within the QPS, SES and also in their commitment to the safety and well being of their colleagues and the wider Queensland community. Each of these amazing people have gone above and beyond to support their local communities in their time of need.

Congratulations to all recipients

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Thank you for your Service



Community Supporting Police Inc. (CSP) was established in 1991 to support police and their families following the Fitzgerald Inquiry. Over the past 34 years, CSP and its volunteers, under the motto: "supporting those who support us", have assisted thousands of Queensland Police Service (QPS) employees and their families in times of trauma and crisis.

The aims of Community Supporting Police Inc are to:

*Provide emergency welfare accommodation free of charge to QPS employees and their immediate family, from across the State.

* Maintain emergency welfare accommodation with volunteer assistance.

* Fundraise through special events, merchandise sales and donations to fund the aims.

With the generous support of the QPS and the QPS Chaplaincy network, CSP manages 9 (nine) properties across Queensland as emergency welfare accommodation for all members of the QPS family. Five of these are in Brisbane, with the remainder located in Townsville, Cairns, Rockhampton and Toowoomba.

Unfortunately, these facilities are in constant and regular demand across the State.

CSP provides furniture, white goods, electrical appliances, cutlery, crockery, linen and bedding to all emergency welfare accommodation units and houses within their district. Further to these items Community Supporting Police funds the ongoing costs associated with general maintenance, cleaning, and payment of utility bills.

CSP has a distinctive selection of merchandise items for sale through selected Police Beats and the Queensland Police Headquarters shop (ground floor 200, Roma Street Brisbane). Merchandise can also be purchased online via www.csp.asn.au

Like all community groups, CSP is constantly seeking new members and supporters, so we can continue to support the members of the QPS and their families during difficult times, to continue to "support those who support us".

To become a member and play an integral part in CSP's mission to help QPS families, only requires a \$20.00 annual membership and any amount of time (small or large) that you can give to help at one or more of our many CSP events held across the State throughout the year.



On Wednesday 10 December QBANK CEO Mr Bryon Fuller (right) presented CSP President Mr Dan Mahon APM with a cheque for \$3,824.20 being a very generous donation from QBANK's Everyday Plus Charity Program.

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 need assistance, 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: **Senior Constable Natasha Marshall** — Marshall.NatashaK@police.qld.gov.au
(Far North Region Cairns & Tablelands)

Townsville: **Chief Inspector Joe Kitching** - Kitching.JoeJ@police.qld.gov.au (Northern Region)

Rockhampton: **Sergeant Mary-Anne Calis** — Calis.Mary-Anne@police.qld.gov.au (Central Region)

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

Police Liaison Officer: **Superintendent Brett Jackson** — Jackson.BrettP@police.qld.gov.au (State-wide)

After Hours Chaplain: **0407 761 950**

Helping Hand is a sub-committee of CSP and has tax deductibility status.

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.

You can make difference:

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

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>



Welcome new members

Carol Forbes (Brisbane CSP)

It is indeed great to have you join Community Supporting Police and help us in our quest "to support those who support us".

We look forward to working with you to support the QPS family, across the State, to raise funds to assist with the maintenance of the emergency welfare accommodation facilities and promote both CSP and the CSP Helping Hand Fund

Booyah graduation ceremony, Moreton

Senior Constable Jo Arthur on Dec 12, 2025 @ 8:18am



On Wednesday 26 November, the Moreton Bay Project Booyah team proudly celebrated the incredible achievements of five young men who successfully completed the 16-week Booyah program.

This milestone marks the beginning of a brighter future for these participants, who have shown resilience, determination, and a commitment to personal growth.

Assistant Commissioner of North Coast Region, Kev Guthridge attended to congratulate the graduates.

The Booyah program, is led by a dedicated Moreton Bay team, consisting of Senior Police Liaison Officer Aunty Deb, Youth Support Officer (YSO) Kelly Parnell, and YSO Christian Suemalo.

This program is a transformative initiative designed to empower young people to overcome challenges and build a positive path forward.

Over the course of 16 weeks, the program provided two contact days per week, focusing on the core value of respect.

This included teaching essential life skills such as managing emotions, problem-solving, and fostering healthy relationships.

Participants also engaged in Adventure-Based Learning (ABL) activities, such as mountain bike riding, fishing, and other outdoor pursuits, which encouraged teamwork, resilience, and self-confidence.

In addition to these activities, the young men dedicated their time to volunteering weekly at Club Pine Rivers, giving back to their community and learning the importance of service and responsibility. Now, as they graduate from the program, they will transition into an 18-month case management phase to ensure they continue to receive the support they need to thrive.

Each of these young men has demonstrated remarkable growth and resilience throughout the program.

Youth Support Officer Christian Suemalo reflected on their journey, explaining how the young men have embodied the true values of the program.

“It has been a pleasure to watch these young men come into their own throughout the duration of the program,” Mr Suemalo said.

“When one life is changed, many lives are changed.”

The Booyah program is a life-changing experience that equips young people with the tools they need to navigate life’s challenges and build a positive future.

The Moreton Bay team’s dedication and the participants’ hard work have created a ripple effect that will undoubtedly impact not only their lives but also their families and communities.

Congratulations to Troy, Thomas, Zac, Zachariah, and Lincoln on this incredible achievement!

Your hard work and commitment to personal growth are truly inspiring, and we can’t wait to see the amazing things you will accomplish in the future.

To learn more about Project Booyah and its impact on young people in our community, visit [Project Booyah](#).

Moreton District Medal Ceremony

Senior Constable Jo Arthur on Dec 19, 2025 @ 12:18pm



On Thursday 27 November, Queensland Police Service (QPS) proudly recognised the exceptional dedication of officers and staff for their unwavering commitment to safeguarding the Moreton community.

The event celebrated the achievements of officers across various divisions, highlighting their remarkable service and contributions.

Among the honourees were six officers who received National Level Awards, including Senior Constable Brett Sanderson who was presented with the prestigious National Police Service Medal, which acknowledges the officers ethical and diligent service to the community.

The National Police Service Medals were presented to the following officers to recognise years of dedicated service to Queensland officers.

Detective Inspectors Phil Hurst and Dave Harbison and Sergeant Ken Sands (35 year clasp); Senior Sergeant Mick Hearn and Sergeant Glenn McDonnell (25 year clasp); Sergeant Marcus Gray and Senior Constable Kylie O’Sullivan (20 year clasp); Detective Sergeant Kim Rasker, Sergeant Damien Porter, Detective Senior Constable Emina Diklic, Detective Senior Constable Helen Protheroe, Senior Constable Amy Barwin, Senior Constable Craig Batty, Senior Constable Brandon Braybrook, Senior Constable Caitlin Thwaites, Special Constable Len McChesney and Ms Kristy Davidson (15 year clasp).

State Level medals were awarded to 6 officers for their years of devoted service.

Notably, Sergeant Darrell Swan for his 40-year clasp and Acting Sergeant Jo-Anne Arthur, Detective Inspector Dave Harbison, Senior Sergeant Andrew Himstedt, Sergeant Greg Price and Sergeant Ken Sands for their 35 year clasp, a testament to their decades of dedication to the QPS and the people of Queensland.



Sergeant Shane Rockley (left) was awarded the Remote Service Medal for his Service in Normanton from 1995 to 1998.

Senior Constable John Kenworthy (right) was awarded the Queensland Police Blue Heart Medal. Despite suffering life changing injuries after a motorcycle crash



while he was working, John continues to advocate for road safety and is an inspiration to us all.

Special commendations were presented to individuals who went above and beyond in their roles.

Commissioner’s Certificate of Notable Action – awarded to Constable Emma Pericic

Assistant Commissioner’s Certificate – awarded to Acting Sergeant Trent Grimditch and Senior Constable Dan McKay

Detective appointment – Detective Senior Constable Helen Protheroe

District Officer Certificates – awarded to Nikki Kostuch, Meg McKillop and Lilly Prenc. (cont. pg.14)

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2025 Moreton North Officer of the Year – awarded to Senior Constable Craig Cush.

2025 Peninsula Officer of the Year – awarded to Constable Patrick McDonald.

2025 Pine Rivers Officer of the Year – awarded to Constable Dale Rapkins.

2025 Crime Group A Officer of the Year – awarded to Plain Clothes Senior Constable Christopher Berry.

2025 Crime Group B Officer of the Year – awarded to Detective Senior Constable Hayley Lewis.

2025 Support Services Officer of the Year – awarded to Senior Constable Tim Leybourne.

2025 Watchhouse Officer of the Year – awarded to Liam Sovenyhazi.

2025 Administrator of the Year – awarded to Holly Denham.

District Officer Certificates of Recognition were also awarded to the following: Nikki Kostuch, Counter Service Officer at Redcliffe station, Megan McKillop, District Business Co-Ordinator, Lily Prenc AO4 Caboolture Youth Hub and Kathryn Atcheson from the State Emergency Services (SES).



Acting Sergeant Jo-Anne Arthur (left) of the Moreton Prevention Unit was the deserving recipient of the David Masters Award, recognising her outstanding service to both the community and her colleagues. Deeply dedicated to supporting the Moreton community and her colleagues, she ensures accurate communication through media engagement while addressing community concerns about crime. Her compassion for vulnerable members of the community and her commitment to uplifting colleagues by promoting morale and recognising their achievements is truly commendable.

Deception Bay station was honoured with the prestigious Perry Irwin Perpetual Award, recognising the exceptional dedication and efforts of

its officers across all aspects of policing.

This ceremony was a heartfelt reminder of the dedication and courage displayed by QPS members every day. Their efforts ensure the safety and wellbeing of the Moreton community, and their commitment to service is an inspiration to all.

The members of Community Supporting Police acknowledge and congratulate all the recipients, in particular our valued CSP member Acting Sergeant Jo Arthur, for their dedication to service and commitment to the safety of the Queensland community.



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**Crime Stoppers Queensland Launches Business Watch
“Eyes on the Street” Trial in Victoria Point**



(above) (L-R) Crime Stoppers Queensland (CSQL) Brisbane Bayside Volunteer Area Committee (VAC) Treasurer, Kay Plummer, and CSQL Brisbane Bayside VAC Chair, Robert Plummer, with Redland Coast Chamber of Commerce President, Suzie Tafolo.

Crime Stoppers Queensland (CSQL) is proud to announce the launch of the *Business Watch – Eyes on the Street* trial in Victoria Point, a new community-focused initiative designed to strengthen local crime prevention and support safer business precincts.

The pilot program brings together CSQL, the Queensland Police Service Crime Prevention Unit, the Redland Coast Chamber of Commerce, and Redland City Council, with generous support through a grant from the Community Bank Victoria Point branch of Bendigo Bank. This shared commitment has enabled a coordinated approach to helping local businesses identify and report suspicious behaviour.

Held on Monday 9 March in Redland Bay, the introductory briefing marked the start of the trial, offering local business owners and operators an early look at how the program works and how they can play an active role. Attendees were introduced to the Eyes on the Street app and its key features – a tool designed to support simple, fast, and anonymous reporting and help businesses act as an extra set of “eyes” to identify emerging issues before they escalate.

By connecting police, partner organisations, and local businesses, the initiative aims to enhance information flow, encourage earlier reporting, and build a more unified approach to community safety. The Eyes on the Street app gives the Victoria Point business community a practical way to report concerns anonymously, supporting early intervention while laying the groundwork for broader, statewide application as the program grows.

The Business Watch trial marks a positive step toward a safer, more connected Queensland – proving what can be achieved when the community works together.





Police Dog Gator hangs up his lead after outstanding career

QPS Media on [Dec 10, 2025 @ 3:24pm](#)

Queensland Police Service (QPS) is honoured to recognise the distinguished service of Police Dog (PD) Gator, who has officially been piped out of service following a remarkable career protecting Queensland communities.

PD Gator graduated from the QPS Police Academy on 16 November 2018, and went on to serve with the Moreton Dog Squad under the dedicated partnership of his handler, Senior Constable Tim Leybourne.

Across his distinguished career, PD Gator displayed unmatched skill, determination, and drive.

He completed 601 tracking deployments, contributing to locating 317 people & 92 property articles, and supporting 135 containment deployments, cementing his reputation as one of the squad’s most capable and dependable dogs.

His work extended beyond the Moreton region, including a notable deployment to Cairns, where he tracked five people who were arrested after an allegedly stolen vehicle was intercepted using a tyre deflation device on Des Chalmers Drive in October.

PD Gator’s handler, Senior Constable Tim Leybourne, reflected on the career of his companion, explaining that Gator was a loyal partner and a well-respected member of the QPS Dog Squad.

“His calm presence, strength, and reliability were invaluable in high-pressure operations, and his work directly contributed to community safety and justice,” Senior Constable Leybourne said.

“Gator has been an extraordinary partner and a fierce protector,” he said.

Chief Inspector Julia Cook, Moreton Police District attended today’s piping out ceremony, paid tribute to the pair’s dedication.

“PD Gator and Senior Constable Leybourne’s commitment, dedication and bravery have supported countless investigations and kept our communities safe,” Chief Inspector Cook said.

“Their service is something the QPS is immensely proud of, and we wish PD Gator a long and happy retirement.”

Now officially retired, Gator is settling comfortably into family life – enjoying the backyard, keeping a watchful eye over his young family and making the most of his well-earned downtime.

When he’s not snoozing, he’s happiest chasing a ball or playing tug-of-war.



PD Gator was recently awarded the Queensland Police Canine Service Medallion at a Moreton District honours ceremony, recognising his significant contribution to policing Queensland.

His retirement marks not only the end of an outstanding career but also serves as a reminder of the vital role police dogs play in community safety in Queensland.



Thank you for your Service

Enjoy your Retirement Gator

From the Branches



CSP Far Northern Region Behind the Crime: A Look Inside Major Crime Investigations

Our annual fundraising event, Behind the Crime, was held in Cairns on 20 November 2025, offering the community a rare opportunity to go behind the scenes and learn how police and prosecutors work together to solve major crimes.

This year's presentation featured Detective Inspector Barron, Detective Senior Sergeant Kite, and Crown Prosecutor Georgouras, who walked attendees through the investigation and prosecution of the disappearance and murder of Innisfail woman, Leeann Lapham.

The event drew an impressive crowd of over 130 people. We were proud to partner with Rotary Club Cairns West, who provided a sausage sizzle, and James Cook University, who generously hosted the event.

Thanks
Kylie Scott
Secretary CSP Far North Queensland Branch

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Recent Improvements at Shaunagh House, Toowoomba Community Support Delivers Lasting Upgrades

Introduction

Shaunagh House continues to serve as a welcoming retreat for Queensland Police Service (QPS) personnel and their families experiencing medical or emergent issues. This article details several recent enhancements to the facility, made possible through the unwavering support and generosity of our broader community.

Brett Forte Rugby Memorial Weekend: Fundraising and Patio Upgrades

The Brett Forte Rugby Memorial weekend in October 2025 proved to be a resounding success, raising an impressive \$5,000 in support of Shaunagh House. Thanks to Tony Rehn, Paul & Sue McCusker, Roz & Stu Makings, their son Tim and Roz's mum, Pam for manning the BBQ for the entire event. Thanks to the funds raised, we were able to purchase and install block out sun blinds for the outdoor patio area. These blinds provide much-needed shade and privacy, ensuring the space remains comfortable and usable throughout the year.



CSP SR Branch members Tony, Roz & Paul manning the BBQ



Block out Blinds outdoor patio area at Shaunagh House

Warwick Police Legacy Golf Day: Lighting and Security Enhancements

Generosity from the Warwick Police Legacy Golf Day resulted in a \$750 donation to Shaunagh House. These funds were dedicated to upgrading the property's lighting, improving visibility and safety for all guests.

Additionally, a new lock box for guest key access was installed, streamlining the check-in process and adding an extra layer of security for visitors. These practical upgrades ensure a safer and more convenient experience for everyone who stays at Shaunagh House. Special thanks to Committee members Sergeants Shane and Mick for their assistance. (cont. pg. 19)



CSP SR Branch President Paul McCusker & Secretary Roz Makings accepting donation from Sgts Shane & Mick, Warwick Police Legacy Golf Day Committee.



A/Assistant Commissioner McDonald & Secretary Roz Makings checking out new lighting at Shaunagh House.

From the Branches

(Improvements at Shaunagh House cont. pg. 18) **Qld Police Union of Employees: New BBQ and Equipment**



The Queensland Police Union of Employees made a significant contribution by providing a brand-new BBQ and associated equipment for Shaunagh House. This generous donation has greatly enhanced the amenity of the facility, allowing QPS personnel and their families to enjoy outdoor cooking in the new shaded patio area. Special thanks to Southern Region QPUE Representative Jarrod Brown and Darling Downs Branch Representative Sgt Mick for making this happen.

Conclusion

Shaunagh House has been greatly enriched by these recent improvements, each made possible by the spirit of generosity demonstrated by our supporters. The contributions from memorial events, community fundraisers, and professional organisations have delivered tangible benefits for current and future guests. On behalf of all who utilise Shaunagh House, we extend our sincere appreciation to everyone involved in making these upgrades a reality. The photo above CSP SR Branch President Paul McCusker, Secretary Roz Makings, QPUE SR Rep Jarrod Brown & DDD Branch Rep Sgt Mick with the new BBQ and tools.



Purple Poppy Day

QPS Media on [Feb 24, 2026 @ 7:18am](#)

Paws for a moment ❤️ 24 February 2026 on Purple Poppy Day, as we honour the sacrifices, loyalty, and courage of service animals and those who have served on the front lines.

(Pictured left) Police Dog Storm paying his respects at the Service Animal Memorial at Oxley Academy.

Held annually on 24 February, Purple Poppy Day is a tribute to animals who serve alongside humans and play a vital role in

protecting and serving communities.

Queensland police are privileged to work alongside some of these remarkable animals, including police dogs and police horses across the state.

The QPS Dog Squad includes more than 100 highly trained police dogs, who assist in detecting drugs, explosives, and firearms, tracking offenders, and supporting search and rescue operations.

Our Mounted Police Unit has been serving Queensland for more than 150 years and is currently home to 12 police horses, who play a crucial role in crowd control, search operations, and community engagement.

The Purple Poppy symbolises the bravery and dedication of these unsung heroes, honouring their contributions and sacrifices in the line of duty.

The QPS Animal Memorial, located at the Oxley Police Academy (pictured), stands as a lasting tribute to the service and sacrifices of these animals.

The sandstone plinth, adorned with a bronze plaque depicting a police dog and a police horse, honours the legacy of the animals that have served the QPS over the years.

By wearing a Purple Poppy, we honour their bravery, loyalty, and the profound impact they have had on human lives.

As we commemorate Purple Poppy Day, let us take a moment to reflect on the courage and dedication of all service animals, past and present.

Whether they are police dogs, horses, or assistance animals, their contributions to our safety and wellbeing are immeasurable.

Lest we forget – the sacrifices of our service animals will never be forgotten.



Krista comes full circle at PCYC

Having grown up at PCYC doing dancing and swimming as a child, then participating in youth programs as a young person, Krista Flick has come full circle and is now a Practice Leader in the Organisation Development team at PCYC Queensland.

Krista has worked at PCYC for 10 years, and her history with PCYC goes back to childhood with her parents being Life Members of PCYC.

The role of the Practice Leader is to ensure that we are delivering evidence-based quality programs to young people in our communities. In this role, Krista makes sure that PCYC’s programs are informed by listening to the voices of young people in our communities as well as experts in the field.

Krista said she is often out and about, consulting with people, talking with people, and listening to what they’re saying or what they’re not saying.

“I spend a lot of time connecting with young people, communities, and experts across the state, the country and even internationally to make sure our work is informed by a diverse range of voices and that our research is broad, informed and meaningful,” Krista said.

“PCYC Queensland has two Practice Leaders working towards our programs being based on best practice and evidence, so we can deliver programs in a safe and effective way. There is also a focus on delivering programs in the way that is most practical for young people. We are in constant consultation with PCYC volunteers, participants and young people within communities. We centre the voices, thoughts and opinions of young people. Young people are the experts in their own lives and their communities, and they know what they need.”

In her time with PCYC, Krista has seen first-hand what a difference our programs can make in the lives of young people and remembers fondly the time she spent at PCYC Sunshine Coast as a child.

“PCYC creates a space for all young people. Even those who might have been ‘written off’ or overlooked by the adults around them can find a place to belong here, and we help them rewrite their story. “One of the best things about my job is knowing the impact that our work will have on young people and the lives that it will change.”

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Learn more about QPS strategies to upgrade your security and help prevent crime

QPS Media on [Feb 20, 2026 @ 3:09pm](#)

The Queensland Police Service (QPS) is reminding all community members and business owners to prioritise property security and take proactive steps to safeguard their premises and help reduce crime.

Police are encouraging business owners to regularly review their safety practices and adopt simple measures to help deter opportunistic theft and property damage.

Crime prevention methods include:

- **alarm systems** like wired trespasser alarms and portable duress alarms
- **access control and entry management** such as key fobs, smart locks and electronic deadbolts, PIN and keypad entry systems and intercoms
- **surveillance and detection** like CCTV, motion sensors and video recording
- **lighting and environmental security** such as outdoor security lighting and motion-activated lighting
- **physical security items** like lockable display cases, cash drawers and safes, security screens and portable barriers.

For more strategies on how to protect your business, go to [QPS's business security guide](#) while more general security information is available with these QPS [crime prevention security guides](#).



Do you know how to prevent opportunistic home break ins?

- ✓ Ensure your house is secure, close and lock your front door and garage overnight.
- ✓ Keep any valuable objects and vehicle keys out of sight.
- ✓ Report any break ins to police in the first instance, don't just report them on social media.
- ✓ Visit the Queensland Police website for tips on how to conduct a home security assessment.



Out & About



(above) Geoff Orman, Peter Johnson CSP Stand 4 December Induction Parade Oxley



(above) CSP PHQ Christmas Stall Wednesday 10 December 2025. (left to right) Geoff Orman, Col Diachkoff, Peter Gleeson and Peter Johnson.



(above) CSP's stand at the Commissioner's Carols in the Mall on Tuesday 2 December 2025, Cecelia and Victor Serchen with Acting Assistant Commissioner Adam Guild.



(above) CSP Oxley Academy Stand 18 December 2025. (left to right) Geoff Orman, Peter Johnson and Senior Sergeant Matthew Johnson (Peter's son)



(left) Geoff Orman, Peter Johnson CSP Stand 29 January 2026 Induction Parade Oxley. The Queensland Police Service (QPS) has welcomed 79 new officers into its ranks, following the graduation of the latest cohort from the Brisbane Academy. This group is the first of more than twelve that are planned to graduate this year. The first graduating class of 2026 come from a diverse range of professional backgrounds including aviation, childcare and real estate. They will be stationed across the state from Mudgeeraba on the Gold Coast to Mossman in the Far North, ready to serve and protect their communities.

QPS Media on [Jan 30, 2026 @ 11:02am](#)

Tammy's Tim Tam Fudge <https://createbakemake.com/three-ingredient-tim-tam-fudge>

Ingredients

2 x 3x 400 g of milk chocolate
 1 x 395 g tin of sweetened condensed milk
 1 x 200 g pack of Tim Tams

Method

1. Line a 20cm square cake tin with baking paper - make sure you leave plenty of space you remove the fudge once it has set.
2. Roughly chop the Tim Tams into pieces and set aside until needed.
3. Pour the sweetened condensed milk into a medium saucepan over low heat and add the milk chocolate - which has been broken into squares.
4. Heat condensed milk and chocolate mixture and stir regularly until the chocolate has melted and the ingredients have combined.
5. Remove the saucepan from the heat and add approximately ¾ of the chopped Tim Tams before quickly stirring through.
6. Pour the fudge into the prepared tin and sprinkle the remaining Tim Tams over the top. Place in the fridge for a minimum of 6 hours (preferably overnight) to set.
7. Remove the set fudge from the fridge and cut into squares.

Notes

This recipe is best made the day before it's needed as leaving the fudge in the fridge overnight will give it plenty of time to set properly. It's important to ensure you are using sweetened condensed milk and NOT evaporated milk as otherwise the fudge will not set properly. Some brands of condensed milk can give this fudge a softer texture, I use Nestle Sweetened Condensed Milk.

Something for
 the Children over
 the Easter Break

Green Kiwi Smoothie for 2 <https://www.taste.com.au/recipes/green-kiwi-smoothie-recipe/>

Ingredients

Kiwifruit (7), 6 peeled, chopped kiwifruit and 1 extra cut into 5mm-thick slices
 1 cup (280g) vanilla Greek-style yoghurt
 1 cup (250ml) coconut milk
 Green liquid food colouring (optional)
 Vanilla Greek-style yoghurt, extra, to serve
 Granola, to serve
 Blueberries, to serve

Method

1. Place the chopped kiwifruit, yoghurt and coconut milk in a blender. Blend until smooth. (For a deeper colour, blend in 1-2 drops of food colouring).
2. Use a star-shaped cutter to cut stars from the kiwifruit slices. Arrange half the kiwifruit stars around the sides of 2 serving glasses.
3. Pour smoothie into serving glasses. Top with extra yoghurt, granola, blueberries and the remaining kiwifruit stars.



Easy Bacon and Egg Mini – Muffins <https://www.yummytoddlerfood.com/egg-muffin-recipe-with-bacon-and-cheese>

Ingredients

4 large eggs (lightly beaten)
 1/2 cup cottage cheese (2% or 4% fat works best) *To make without cottage cheese, add 2 more eggs.
 1/2 cup shredded cheddar
 4 slices crisp-cooked bacon (crumbled; or sub in or add ¼ cup shredded spinach)
 1/4 cup all-purpose flour *Gluten-free: Use cup-for-cup GF flour in place of the all-purpose.
 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme (or rosemary, optional)

Method

1. Preheat the oven to 350F and grease a 24-cup mini muffin tin well with nonstick spray.
2. Add the eggs to a bowl and lightly beat with a fork.
3. Add the rest of the ingredients, cutting up the bacon with a fork or crumbling it in. (Add spinach if using.)
4. Spoon into the prepared muffin cups, using about 1 tablespoon in each cup.
5. Bake for 16-18 minutes or until firm to the touch and golden brown around the edges.
6. Let cool for 2-3 minutes in the pan, then gently run a paring knife around the edges to help loosen.
7. Serve warm or at room temperature with salsa or salad or store for later* (To store, let cool slightly, then transfer to an airtight container and Store in the fridge for up to 2 days. To reheat for about 30 seconds in the microwave.

The Bacon:

Place strips onto a foil-lined baking pan and bake in preheated oven 400 degree F for 14-16 minutes. Transfer to a paper towel lined plate and pat dry. Let cool and crumble to add to the recipe.



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8	54	68	78
10	56	70	86
12	60	72	91

(Top right) Junior Police Constable Austin and
(Below) Junior Police Constable Willow
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