

### OUR JIMMY

“Our Jimmy” was born in Aberdeenshire, Scotland, in 1867  
The rugged coast, the hills and valleys, his emerald piece of heaven  
He toiled on his Father’s farm, while his restless spirit soared above  
Over cliffs, across oceans, seeking adventure, seeking love.

The boy became a man, square jawed, tough and strong  
Searching for his future, somewhere to belong  
He kissed his Mother goodbye, her teary eyes agleam  
He sailed for Australia, carrying nothing but his dream.

James Sangster was an honourable man, he believed in the law  
He could ride a horse, handle himself, go through any door  
He joined the Queensland Police and he worked the Ipswich streets  
He would share a joke, but maintain order, as he worked the beat.

In the early hours of the 4<sup>th</sup> of February, 1893  
Came the deadly waters of the Bremer, as people tried to flee  
A family trapped in their house, as the river raged that awful day  
“Our Jimmy” arrived on horseback as the house was swept away.

A couple desperately clung for life, screaming “Help us Jim!”  
He never hesitated for a second, even though he couldn’t swim  
With the waters swirling furiously, he launched a small boat  
He battled with his mighty heart, as he tried to stay afloat.

He tried and tried again, as the boat was tossed about  
He was tiring but never quitting, as the time ran out  
The boat was swamped and smashed, and the river took him down  
He fought for life with courage, but he disappeared without a sound.

They never found “Our Jimmy” and I wonder where he rests  
Did he think of his sweetheart in those final breaths?  
Did he think of Scotland, whom he served so proud?  
Did he think of his Mum and Dad in his watery shroud?

So as the haunting refrain of the pipes echo on this day  
Floating over hills and valleys and the Aberdeenshire bays  
Jimmy is once again with his family, his spirit doesn’t roam  
Our fallen comrade is at peace, our Jimmy has gone home.

We remember Constable James Sangster, and we’ll never forget  
We bow our heads for him today, 125 years of regret  
Time doesn’t diminish what he did, no words can ever suffice  
Our brother in blue, always “Our Jimmy” who paid the ultimate price.

**By Sen.Sgt. Tim Beard, DDO PRPG.**



September 29 (St Michael's Day) is recognised as National Police Remembrance Day, (NPRD) and is set aside for members of the Police Family and the wider community to pay tribute to those Australian Police Officers who have been killed on duty or have died as a result of their duties since the advent of policing in Australia.

Also recognised on this day is the unique nature of policing and the inherent dangers that police face in their daily pursuits.

On this significant day the Queensland Police Service also takes the opportunity to acknowledge the contribution, dedication, commitment and integrity of all serving police officers whose deaths were non-work related, QPS staff members and former serving and retired police officers who have died over the past 12 months.

### **With heavy hearts we remember them.**

NPRD 2018 marks a significant milestone, acknowledging the 100th Anniversary, of Queensland Police Officers who took a leave of absence from the Queensland Police Service to serve as part of the Australian Forces during World War 1. The officers listed below died either as part of their active service or of wounds sustained as a result of their service in 1918.



**Lance Corporal John Warfield** (Maryborough Police Station ) member of the 47th Battalion A.I.F who was killed in Action: 28 March 1918

**Sergeant John 'Jack' Fitzgerald** (Duchess Police Station a mining town south of Cloncurry) from the 9th Field Artillery Brigade & 108th Battery A.I.F who was killed in Action: 30 March 1918

**Sergeant Harry Wells** (Roma Street Police Station) member of the 26th Battalion A.I.F who was killed in Action: 31 March 1918

**Sergeant Walter W. Dumbrell** (Many Peaks Police Station) from the 41st Battalion A.I.F who was killed in Action: 19 April 1918

**Sergeant Frederick A. White** (Gladstone Police Station) member of the 25th Battalion A.I.F who was killed in Action: 10th June 1918

**Private David O'Donoghue** (Maryborough Police Station) from the 9th Battalion A.I.F who died from wounds: 20 June 1918

**Private Thomas McGillicuddy** (Bundaberg Police Station) member of the 12th Light Trench Mortar Battery A.I.F who was killed in Action: 8 July 1918

**Lance Corporal Claude E. Castree** (Kynuna Police Station) from the 49th Battalion A.I.F who died from Wounds: 15 August 1918

**Lance Corporal John Herbert** (Petrie Terrace Police Depot) member of 41st Battalion A.I.F who died from Wounds: 9 September 1918

**Trooper Darryl J.G. Dodds** (Dalby Police Station) of the 11th Light Horse Regiment A.I.F who was killed In Action: 25 September 1918

**Gunner Ernst R. Pastorelli** (Nebo Police Station) member of the 156th Brigade of the Royal Field Artillery who died of Wounds: 12 October 1918

**Driver John P. Taylor** (Miles Police Station) from the 38th Convoy Australian Army Service Corps A.I.F who died from Wounds: 21 November 1918

(for more information: <https://www.police.qld.gov.au/aboutUs/commemoration/honour/>)

## **NATIONAL POLICE REMEMBRANCE DAY**

### **Why is Archangel Michael the Patron Saint of police officers, fire-fighters, paramedics, and military?**

Michael has been mentioned in Christianity, Islam, and Judaism as the defender of good over evil and as such Archangel Michael has been linked to police officers, fire- fighters, paramedics, and the military who protect/defend and help their communities, it's only fitting that Michael is there to defend them from harm.

(<http://ourfatherprayer.org/patron-saint-of-police-officers-archangel-michael>)



**NATIONAL POLICE REMEMBRANCE DAY**

(photo below) Detective Acting Superintendent Deb Nicholson joined with fellow CSP and Blue Ribbon Committee members Col Diachkoff and Evan Newton; QPS Recruits and Police Dog (PD) Turk for a great morning at Roma St, Central and Fortitude Valley. Detective Acting Superintendent Nicholson also acknowledged QBANK staff: Josh L'Hota, Kelly Smith, Demi Laube and Tina Engelbrecht (photo below- right & left with Police Puppy Ninja for their assistance at various collection points.



Detective Acting Superintendent Nicholson said "our Blue Ribbon Collections was the best year yet. We have collected in this morning \$7,370.40 cents (with an additional \$50.00 donation to go into the Constable Peter McAulay account).

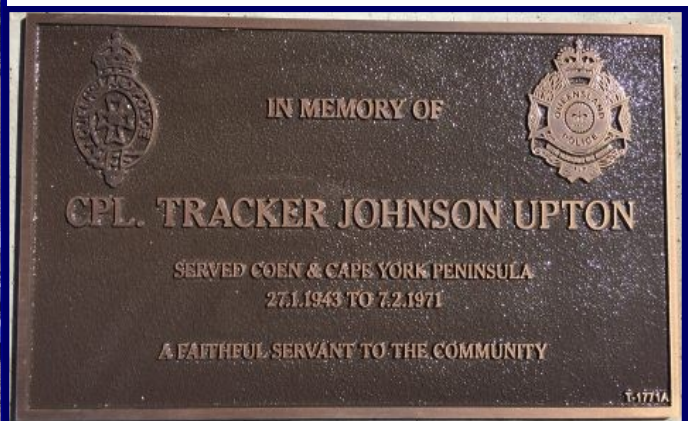
Acting Superintendent Nicholson advised that National Police Remembrance Day Blue Ribbon monies were still to come in from across the state.



Mr Johnson advise fellow CSP members Fay Johnson and Pamela Pollock assisted him in the collection of \$1356.65 from their stand at the Garden City Shopping Centre. Mr Johnson also advised that over the two days Friday and Saturday, they collected \$250 for Constable Peter McAulay

Thanks to the wonderful support of the Queensland community all funds raised will be distributed to CSP, Police Legacy and the Zephyr Foundation.

**Valedictory for Cape York Police Tracker**



Police Dedication Service to mark the placement of a Memorial Plaque for Police Tracker, Corporal Johnson Upton on August 10 in Cairns (photo above left to right): Police Chaplain Doug Foster, Assistant Commissioner Paul Taylor, Ellen, Mr Jock MacDonald, Megan, Jonathan and Assistant Commissioner Brett Schafferius. (full story on page 4) (<https://mypolice.qld.gov.au/farnorth/2018/08/14>)

## Valedictory for Cape York Police Tracker

Sergeant Cary Coolican Aug 14.2018 @ 8.38am

**a warning to Aboriginal and Torres Strait readers that the article contains stories of deceased people.**

### Corporal Johnson Upton c.1915 – 1971, Queensland Police Tracker.

Over the years, a number of Native Police Trackers shared their skills and superior knowledge of the land, whilst dedicating their service to the Queensland Police Force and Service as well as their wider communities.

One such Police Tracker was Corporal Johnson Upton. He was born in 1915 at Bamboo Station between Laura and Coen and grew up to work on cattle stations as a stockman and drover until his appointment by Commissioner C.J. Carroll, on the recommendation of Sergeant 2/c Cooper, as Aboriginal Police Tracker with Coen Police on January 27, 1943.

Police Tracker Upton's duties included the daily care of some 26 troop horses, performing numerous pack horse patrols and leading police officers throughout Cape York, many of which were young and inexperienced constables. His skills helped them avoid crocodile attacks whilst crossing the numerous infested rivers and creeks of the Peninsula and he helped form strong bonds with Aboriginal communities of Cape York Peninsula.

On March 1st, 1943, just five years after commencing duty with the Police, Johnson was promoted to the rank of Corporal and his duties extended to oversee other staff.

Some highlights in Johnson's career saw him help in the arrest of two men in 1950. They were charged with having murdered a police boy at Edward River, now known as Pormpuraaw.

In a change from horses, in 1954 Johnson was flown to the Mitchell River to search for a missing stockman, bound for Aurukun with a herd of cattle and in 1956 he was presented with a Lithgow .22 cal. rifle by Sergeant 2/c Moylan and Constable Maher in appreciation of his good work and dedicated service to the Queensland Police Force.

In 1961, then Constable Jock MacDonald was stationed at Coen and worked closely with Corporal Upton on a six week pack horse patrol throughout the cape.

"I was very young and inexperienced back then and Johnson taught me a great deal," Mr MacDonald said.

"On a trip from Weipa to Aurukun, we stopped at Watson River to set up camp for the night. As I started unpacking the horses, Johnson checked out the creek and noticed a one meter wide crocodile on the bank of the river.

"A large saltwater crocodile had walked some 2 km overland to the freshwater hole and thankfully Johnson's experience came through.

"We quickly packed up the horses and moved onto another campsite for the night."

After 28-years of faithful service to the Queensland Police Force, Johnson was eventually discharged on medical grounds in February 1971. Sadly, shortly after, Johnson was transferred to Cairns by the Royal Flying Doctor Service and died in hospital on June 23, 1971.

Johnson was survived by his wife Daisy and his son Jonathon and was buried in the Cairns Martyn Street Cemetery where he lay in an unmarked grave.

Mr Jock MacDonald has long since retired from the Queensland Police Service and taken on the role of Welfare Officer for the Far Northern Branch of the Queensland Retired Police Association (QRPA)

Earlier this year Mr MacDonald pondered what became of his friend and colleague Johnson Upton and found he'd passed away in 1971. Upon investigation he found he was laid to rest in Cairns in an unmarked grave. After discussions with the Friends of the Queensland Police Museum and the Far Northern Branch of the QRPA, Mr MacDonald secured enough funds to buy a QPS Memorial Plaque for Johnson's final resting place.

Friday saw Assistant Commissioners Paul Taylor and Brett Schafferius along with members of the Far North District senior executive, the Far Northern Branch of the QRPA, local officers and members of Johnson's family, attend a dedication service for Police Tracker, Corporal Johnson Upton at the Martyn Street Cemetery in Cairns.

Police Chaplain Doug Foster performed the dedication service for Johnson whilst Assistant Commissioner Paul Taylor read the QPS Valedictory and presented a framed copy to Johnson's son, Jonathan.

**Vale, Corporal Johnson Upton.**

# GLADSTONE POLICE CHARITY GOLF DAY

The members of Community Supporting Police Inc. wish to sincerely thank Senior Constable Colleen Smith from Gladstone Scenes of Crime for her efforts in arranging this fantastic golf day and for her amazing donation to CSP.

Senior Constable Colleen Smith shares her story and has provided photos of the wonderful golf day held in July.

“The Gladstone Police Charity Golf Day 2018 was held on behalf of Community Supporting Police / Helping Hand and The McGrath Foundation. The event was organised by myself during my extended time off work whilst I underwent surgery and treatment for Non Hodgkin Lymphoma (Follicula).

My visits to Brisbane was made incredibly easy and lessened the stress of treatment by the support and care of the Chaplaincy at PHQ (Donna Farkas. Donna maintained contact with me throughout the treatment and ensured accommodation close to the RBWH was available (If it wasn't Donna was always willing to assist where she could).

During my treatment, I soon learnt of the fantastic and generous support provided by Helping Hand and Community Supporting Police. I decided on my journey home one day that I wanted to help raise awareness of both services and do something to give back to ensure they are kept available for those in need of them.

There, the Gladstone Police Charity Day 2018 was created!!! I approached a number of businesses with my idea and without hesitation, Andersons Auto City (local car dealership) signed up as my major sponsor. I soon found so much support and the momentum just kept going and before long I had 19 sponsors on board.

Within a couple of months I had 124 players registered and about 20 on the waiting list to play!!

I struggled to get a committee together due to shift work and trying to arrange a time and day that suited everyone - therefore many of the 60 prizes for the raffle were purchased but overall we made a profit of about \$5500 on the raffle itself.

The challenge of this day, not only kept me busy, but kept treatment and the long lonely days at bay. I felt empowered that I could achieve anything and felt so much joy in being able to bring community members together for such a wonderful day of fun and laughter. We had Doctors, nurses, Police, Fire Fighters, business owners and general folk come together... Many new friendships were made and some old rekindled:). Players came from Rockhampton, Moura, Sunshine Coast, Brisbane and Gladstone District.

I had a wonderful crew of volunteers turn up on the day, who assisted with cooking the sausage sizzle for breakfast (Gladstone PCYC), assisted with registration, selling of the raffle tickets and cooking and delivering a fantastic BBQ and nibblies for all the players and guests on the day. In the lead up to the day I had many raffle tickets spread around to the stations and businesses which assisted in boosting sales along with many days sitting in the Bunnings Warehouse Foyer!!

The outcome for the day was a donation of \$9692.43 donated to each of the charities - which is just truly amazing!!”



# CSP Biennial Conference

The Far North Queensland Community Supporting Police Branch hosted the 2018 CSP Biennial Conference from 27th to 29th July. This year's event was attended by representatives from all branches: Far North, Townsville, Rockhampton and Toowoomba plus the Helping Hand Fund and members of the Management Committee. The conference provided a wonderful opportunity to discuss the everyday aspects of CSP, network and share knowledge and expertise in the diversity of our core business and put forward strategies for the future of the organisation to ensure its relevance and longevity. Mr Bryan Brown (CSP President) opening address stated, "it is a pleasure to address a group of like-minded individuals who support this great unique organisation' {and although} each Branch might approach the business a little different, we all have the same goals". And that is "to support those who support us".

The conference delegates were impressed with Far North Queensland Branch's hospitality: beginning with a welcoming BBQ on the Cairns Esplanade on the Friday night here we caught up with familiar faces, put faces to names which we see on emails and voices through the phone lines and in some case the partners who continue to support our members, as they work for our organisation.



The night's festivities began with a BANG!!! As the sky lit up with fireworks, what an accompaniment to our delicious food & great company...but there was more live entertainment, as well as the beautiful tropical winter evening. Following the BBQ some members took advantage of the late night shopping along the Esplanade soaking up the tropical holiday atmosphere.



Saturday morning saw all gather at the Double Trees by Hilton for the main event. However, before discussions began the delegates were treated to presentations by Guest Speakers: Superintendent Geoff Sheldon and Mr Rick Hanlon (OAM).



Superintendent Geoff Sheldon (right) from Far North Region, provided a humorous yet relevant overview of his experiences, as a relatively new member of the community, by referring to his and other newcomers and not so newbie's interactions with the geography, weather and critters which gives this region its uniqueness. As Superintendent Sheldon also explained how this uniqueness can impact on policing with in the Region.



(above right )"One of the attractions to a career in policing is the statement that 'we don't do boring'. You never really know what you are going to come across in a single shift. Policing in the Far North is certainly no exception. During a night patrol in the areas surrounding Wujul Wujul some 345kms north of Cairns, officers stumbled across this monster! There was no passing in the police vehicle until this scrub python was good and ready to move. (photo courtesy mypoliceblog/farnorth/2017/12/11.



Mr Rick Hanlon (OAM) (photo left with Inspector Rolf Straatemeier) from the AFL Cape York outlined the AFL & Cape York House Alliance for Education and Training programs which were established in 2013. Rick, originally from Tasmania is employed by the Queensland AFL and works in the Cape York, Torres Strait Islands and the Gulf areas to not only develop the game of ALF but also improve the health and education of boys, who participate in the program. Mr Hanlon said "that while we want our boys to be successful on the footy field, more importantly we want them to be successful in life, to contribute to their communities and to society as a whole". (cont. Pg7)

# CSP Biennial Conference

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AFL House is a culturally appropriate and secure residential facility in Cairns for young Indigenous men (years 7 to 12) who come from remote communities in Far North Queensland to attend local partner schools during the day.

AFL House provides a “tangible and outcomes-focused commitment to the Commonwealth and Queensland Governments “Closing the Gap” strategy for Indigenous education and health”. Here these young men learn that although “footy might be the field of dreams”, there is so much more that goes beyond football.

The success of this program: combining life skills, education and sport, which is unique in Australia is evidenced by: the 100% retention rate for all four terms in 2015 and 97% retention from 2015 to 2016. 100% of the boys have graduated from Year 12 with a Queensland certificate of Education compared with the Queensland average of 66% for Indigenous students. 50% of the graduates are studying at University— remarkable given only 10% of Indigenous school leavers meet the University eligibility criteria. The remaining 50% are working full time or undergoing traineeships.

Following on from the successful outcomes in the last 3 (three) years the Australian Rugby League community has asked for the template of the program to encourage young League players to achieve beyond the field.

[For more information go to www.aficy.com.au](http://www.aficy.com.au)

As part of the Agenda members from CSP branches across the state were recognised for their continued commitment and dedication to Community Supporting Police Inc and inherently the Queensland Police Service Family. Superintendent Geoff Sheldon and Inspector Rolf Straatemeier (before leaving to take part in a joint Police State Emergency Services activity see pg 12 for full story) were invited to present Years of Service Certificates and CSP lapel pins.

### **For 5 Years Service**

Gary Eddiehausen (in absence)

Cathy Goodsall (photo below left)

Inspector Rhys Newton (photo below centre)

Senior Sergeant Janelle Poole (in absence)

Robyn Rankin (in absence)

Chaplain Horst Sauer (photo below right)



Cathy Goodsall



Inspector Rhys Newton



Chaplain Horst Sauer

# Congratulations and Thank you

# CSP Biennial Conference

Presentation of Years of Service Certificates and CSP lapel pins continued



Inspector Russell Rhodes

### For 10 Years Service

Inspector Russell Rhodes  
(photo left)

Inspector Rolf Straatemeier

(photo right)



Inspector Rolf Straatemeier



Chaplain Doug Foster

### For 15 Years Service

Reverend Barry Cox (in absence)

Chaplain Doug Foster (photo left)

France Lindsay (photo right)

Clare Murphy (in absence)



Mrs Frances Lindsay

# Congratulations and Thank you

Following a brief interlude to chat with the guest speakers and nourish the mind and bodies the delegates re- assembled for: individual branch presentations which stimulated further general discussion, the Helping Hand presentation clarified some blurred lines and the general housekeeping from management committee members enhanced further discussions which lead to a decision for CSP to formulate a strategic platform to: ensure the organisation reiterates the Queensland Police Services' "our people matter" philosophy; to pursue marketing and promotional avenues with an emphasis on increasing membership from both within and external to the QPS encourage increased membership; diversify fundraising events/activities options to ensure funds and to allow the organisation to be relevant and responsive to the future needs of "those who support us".



After a productive day it was time to continue to network in a more relaxed environment Doug Foster and his the Far North members arranged for all the delegates and partner who made the journey to dine at Mondo's. Once again we were treated to a water view whilst enjoying the wonderfully warm Cairns hospitality. At the end of the night there were parting gestures for some members as they were departing early the next morning, but for others the bustling streets beckoned.





# CSP Biennial Conference

Sunday morning greeted us with the glowing sunshine associated with the northern regions of Queensland and this made for a perfect introduction to our organised team building activity, a trip on the Cairns Inlet. Doug and his wife Barbara picked us up at the accommodation and drove to the Cairns Water Police Station, where we were joined by members from Cairns Branch and their families prior to boarding the Perry Irwin. While on board we were treated to a tour of the vessel and morning tea courtesy of Doug, Fran, Sue & Bridget: yummy apple muffins, delicious fruit cake and moist cheese ball with crackers. The sun, sea and friendship was a perfect way to conclude this Biennial Conference.

Now the work begins putting into place the ideas discussed and the knowledge shared.

## Thank you Far North Qld Branch



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**Thank you to our fantastic Conference Sponsors**



Cairns Water Police urge boaters to take precautions and secure vessels  
Photo by Senior Constable Erhardt

## Water Police Cairns

Water Police Cairns conducts operations from the Government Marine Operations Base located at Tingira Street, Portsmith. This facility is shared with other Government waterborne agencies including Maritime Safety Queensland and Qld Parks & Wildlife Service. With a staff of five officers, Water Police Cairns operates four police vessels including a 24m Offshore patrol vessel Perry Irwin, a 9m tactical response vessel, a 6.2m patrol vessel and a 4.3m aluminium dinghy. Water Police Cairns have had a number of police vessels attached to the station since operations started.

The M.L.Low in honour of Michael Low, who was murdered whilst attending a domestic dispute in Rockhampton in 1981. In 1992 this vessel was replaced with a vessel purchased from the

Queensland Boating & Fisheries Patrol. The Yarran built in 1964 in Bundaberg. This vessel originally began its service with the QPS at Thursday Island and upon the delivery of a replacement vessel for the Torres Strait the Yarran then named the W Conroy was returned to Cairns for service and renamed the M.L.Low.

In 1998 the first purpose built patrol vessel was delivered to the Cairns Water Police. Manufactured in Geraldton Western Australia the 17m monohull vessel was capable of a sprint speed of 23 knots with a continuous operation of 18 knots for 500 nautical miles. The vessel was fitted with state of the art navigation and communication facilities. This vessel was named in honour of Constable Russell A Wilson who was killed on duty at Woree, Cairns in 1981.

In 2014 Water Police Cairns proudly took delivery of the 24m PV Perry Irwin. Senior Sergeant Perry Irwin, from Caboolture Police Station, was ambushed and shot twice as he walked to an elevated area to use his mobile phone to give a situation report to the station. Senior Sergeant Perry Irwin died at the scene.

The staff at Cairns Water Police all have commercial marine qualifications which permit them to operate the various vessels Water Police staff undertake training in both Marine and Land Search and Rescue Co-ordination. Two officers at Cairns Water Police remain on call at all times to respond to Search and Rescue Incidents and urgent marine related policing responses.

Water Police Cairns work closely with volunteer search and rescue groups in both the land and marine environment. In a search and rescue operation Water Police Cairns coordinate the various volunteer and government rescue organisations to resolve the incidents in a timely and professional manner.

With an operational area between the southern end of Hinchinbrook Island north to Cape Grenville Water Police Cairns are responsible for operations over 850klms of coastline and reef areas. It takes 20hrs of continuous travel by vessel to reach the northern end of the operational area.

Information courtesy of Water Police Cairns Queensland Police Service.

For more information: [enquiries@qldwaterpolice.com](mailto:enquiries@qldwaterpolice.com)



# "CONGRATULATIONS"



The members of Community Supporting Police extend our sincere "Congratulations" to fellow CSP member and Brisbane based Emergency Accommodation Coordinator Peggy Campbell on her wonderful achievement.

Mrs Peggy Campbell, (pictured left) has been honoured by the Girl Guides as she celebrated 40 Years of dedicated service as a district leader with the Chermside District Girl Guides after becoming a leader in 1978.

Peggy who was a youth member from 1959 till 1967 and mother of two daughters, sees Guides as very relevant for girls in today's society "although she had seen changes in the program over the years the philosophy was still the same, to empower girls and young women to grow into confident, self-respecting, responsible community members", whilst "gaining a circle of friends for fun and friendship". Mrs Campbell, reflected

"I have been in a circle with some amazing women and have been involved with some wonderful girls and their families". (questnews.com.au/north pg 6).

Peggy's dedication and commitment to Guides is exemplified through her work with CSP as she ensures all six emergency accommodation units within Brisbane are cleaned & maintained to a high standard for members of the Queensland Police Service Family who find themselves in need of accommodation whilst a love one is undergoing treatment at any of Brisbane's major hospitals.

Peggy, we wish you all the very best as you embark on the next 40 years with Guides, as "retirement isn't on (your) radar".



## **Behind The Crime Presentations**

Community Supporting Police Brisbane Behind the Crime Nights will now be held twice a year, in March and September, at the Brisbane Girls Grammar School. CSP's Far North Queensland Branch is also holding Behind the Crime Nights at James Cook University. Dates and topics for these presentations can be found on the CSP webpage, for more information about upcoming Brisbane and /or Cairns events please go to [www.csp.asn.au](http://www.csp.asn.au); if you wish to receive an emailed notification please email [btc@csp.asn.au](mailto:btc@csp.asn.au)

**The 2019 Brisbane BTC nights will be held on Friday 15th March and Friday 20th September 2019 at the Brisbane Girls Gramma School Spring Hill for ticket purchases and more info please email: [btc@csp.asn.au](mailto:btc@csp.asn.au) Hope to see you there!!!**

On Friday 14th September 2018 Acting Sergeant Brett Duke and Senior Constable James Hall presented our Brisbane audience with a very interesting over view of the QPS Dive Unit. During the course of their presentation Brett and James provided a brief history of the dive unit from the early 1960s until present day. They also covered various aspects of their day work including: the black-water diving experience: the Dive Unit's capabilities including: search and recovery of bodies and evidence; conducting underwater surveys of structures. Further to these activities both Officers mentioned the Unit's need to be able to conduct: penetration diving, airborne platform as well as underwater crime scene preservation/ filming etc.

To highlight the techniques and physical aspects of their role within the officers presented a video of actual jobs which they had been involved: the Dianne trawler that sank last year off 1770; plus the tiger moth biplane that crashed and sank off Gold Coast in 2013.

Also discussed was the selection requirements for becoming a police diver, the specialised training involved and equipment used. This included a demonstration of their basic scuba set up and SSBA rig (Surface Supplied Breathing Apparatus), and explanation of the QPS Dive Unit's sonar capabilities and use, plus under water search techniques and equipment used in these circumstances.

All guests enjoyed their evening and we sincerely thank both Acting Sergeant Brett Duke and Senior Constable James Hall (photo right with CSP President Mr Bryan Brown) for their time and for their presentation.



**Remotely Piloted Aircraft assist in missing person search**

*By Inspector Rolf Straatemeier (now retired), Tablelands Patrol Group and member of CSP's Far North Branch*

Far North District Police, in conjunction with State Emergency Service (SES), conducted an extensive search for a missing person over the weekend of July 27-30, using multiple remotely piloted aircraft systems (RPAS) {drones}. It was the first time multiple aircraft have been used in a search, in a concerted effort that also saw police horses assist along with two QPS cadaver dog teams flown up from Brisbane.

The missing person is Reece Kearney, who is believed to have been walking in rugged country in the Newcastle Ranges about 20km east of Georgetown in December 2017. A previous search earlier in the year failed to locate him, but at that time only a ground search was possible.

Since then, Far North SES have introduced a comprehensive trial of RPAS to be used in their operations. Through local agreement, the SES can also assist police with search and rescue operations in the far north of the state. On Friday July 27, eight CASA accredited pilots with six aircraft travelled to the search site to help police try to locate possible remains or property of Mr Kearney.

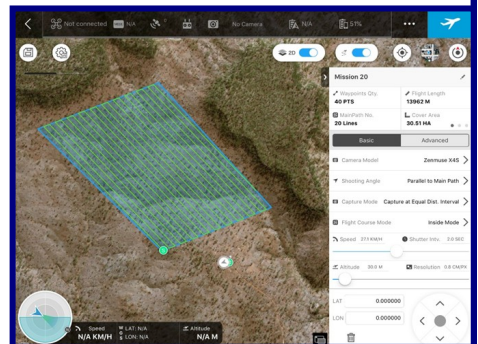


The SES pilot on the left carries a Mavic RPAS and portable landing pad, while the SES accredited observer on the right carries spare batteries and accessories.

Field Search Coordinator Sergeant Winfried Wiess said he believed this was the first time a land search operation had employed such significant RPAS resources.

“At one stage, three aircraft were in the air. One was flying a grid search, while the other two were being used for other operations,” Sergeant Wiess said.

The RPASs used included DJI brand Mavic, Phantom, Inspire and Matrice models. The Mavics were carried in backpacks by SES members on foot and were used to search inhospitable areas such as cliff overhangs and escarpments. The photo left shows an SES pilot on the left with a Mavic and a portable landing pad on his back, while the SES accredited observer on the right is carrying spare batteries and accessories.



A 30.51 hectare search area was grid flown and photographed in under 20 minutes.

The Phantom and Inspire were used to fly grid search patterns at 30m and again at 70m, continually taking high quality images of the ground during the flight. The high quality resolution at 30m resulted in one pixel on the image corresponding to 1cm on the ground. Photo right shows how a 30.51 hectare search area was grid flown, mapped and photographed in under 20 minutes.

Sergeant Weiss said the high quality of the imagery presented a challenge for police examining the photographs. “More than 2,000 high quality aerial images were taken from the aircraft and provided to the police search team. These will need to be examined in detail to identify possible clothing or other property owned by Mr Kearney,” Sergeant Weiss said. “This means that high-end computers, monitors and possible specialised software may be required to examine each photograph over the coming weeks.”



Pilots and observers attend a briefing on the Sunday morning

Sergeant Weiss said he considered the search using RPASs extremely worthwhile and could envisage this technology being a part of many normal search operations in future.

“This latest search has added important information and will form the platform for any future searches for Mr Kearney,” he said.

For further information, contact Sergeant Weiss at Atherton Station on 4091 9802.



Police and the SES team are ready to head out to search area.



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

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

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

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

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

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

**Far North Region: Rev Doug Foster—[foster.dougn@police.qld.gov.au](mailto:foster.dougn@police.qld.gov.au) (Cairns & Tablelands)**

**Northern Region: Senior Sergeant Janelle Poole—[poole.janellem@police.qld.gov.au](mailto:poole.janellem@police.qld.gov.au) (Townsville)**

**Central Region: Senior Sergeant William Fleming—[fleming.williamj@police.qld.gov.au](mailto:fleming.williamj@police.qld.gov.au) (Rockhampton)**

**Southern Region: Inspector Sharee Cumming—[cumming.shareet@police.qld.gov.au](mailto:cumming.shareet@police.qld.gov.au) (Toowoomba)**



The 2018 Annual General Meeting: CSP Committee Members (photo left—to right)

Back row -Mr Victor Serchen (Treasurer) Inspector Leonie Fordyce (Police Liaison Officer), Mrs Cecelia Serchen (Secretary) , Ms Nadene Sander (Helping Hand Rep)

Front row—Mr Russell Turner (Webmaster) Mr Colin Diachkoff (Blue Ribbon Committee Rep) Queensland Police Commissioner Ian Stewart (CSP Patron) , Mr Bryan Brown (President).

Absent QPS Chaplain Rev. Doug Foster (Chaplaincy Rep) , Ms Colleen MacCarthy Merchandise Officer and Mrs Peggy Campbell Emergency Accommodation Coordinator.

(right) Commissioner Ian Stewart and Mr Bryan Brown presenting Mr Emmanuel Anthony with his 25 Year Service Certificate and badge.



(right) Commissioner Ian Stewart & Mr Bryan Brown with Isabella & David Bevan from Zephyr Education. Isabella & David gave a very informative presentation, encompassing the history and the day to day operations involved with providing children with the necessary resources to start at a new school following their mother's (care giver's) need to leave a Domestic Violence situation, to the AGM attendees.



**Brisbane CSP meeting dates for 2019**

General Meeting at Police Headquarters: Wednesday 14th November 2018 7.00pm

General Meeting Police Headquarters: Wednesday 10th April 2019 7.00pm

Annual General Meeting Police Headquarters: Wednesday 11th September 7.00pm

General Meeting at Police Headquarters: Wednesday 13th November 2019 7.00pm





September 11 - Commemorative Game

**Cops vs Firies**



**9 —11 Memorial Rugby League Match**

On Sunday 23rd September members of Community Supporting Police were invited to have a stand at the 7th Annual 9 -11 Memorial Rugby League Match. Those who attended, including Constable T. Bear, had a fantastic day networking with members of the QPS, Queensland Fire and Emergency Services members, their families and friends. As they enjoyed a beautiful spring afternoon watching Ladies and Masters play friendly Rugby matches as the curtain openers for the main event a Cops v/s Firies match, which on this occasion resulted in a draw.



The concept for the match began “on Sunday 11 September 2011 when an invitational team from the Queensland Police Service played a representative team from the Queensland Fire and Rescue Service in honour for the 343 members of the Fire Department New York and the 23 Police Officers of the New York Police Department and the Port Authority Police Department who perished attempting to save lives following the terror attacks in New York City. The Queensland Fire-fighters and the Queensland Police were looking at some way of acknowledging the tenth anniversary of the terror attacks in New York and honouring the first responders who gave the ultimate sacrifice in looking after their community. Out of that grew the 9-11 Memorial Challenge game of rugby league between the two organisations. The 9-11 Memorial Challenge has been played 7 times since 2011 with the Fire-fighters winning 4 games, the Police winning 2 games with the 2018 match seeing the first draw”.

QPS team (left): Michael O’Keefe, Brenden Brooke, Simon Laing, Kyle Everett, Nathan Diehm, Ash Currie, Allan



Heldsinger, Andrew Dunkley, Jarrod Knox, Rhys Bennett, Steve Holland, Daley Boney, Russell Sator, Ben Sawden, Blake Sullivan, Brendan Mackenzie, Andy Fullagar, Jordan Tusa, Will Scanlan, Nick Paterson (Coach), Daniel Hess (Assistant Coach), Damien Ahearn (Manager/Trainer), Andrew Linton (Manager), Garry Zealand (Head Trainer), Garry Watts (President), Todd Maguire (Junior Vice President), Mick Thiesfield (Treasurer), Scott Nicol (Secretary/Trainer).  
Regards Garry Watts  
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We hope you find this edition informative and interesting, keeping you up-to-date with what Community Supporting Police is doing throughout the State to “support those who support us” and keep us safe.

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

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

# CSP members Out & About



PINE RIVERS SHOW



IPSWICH  
RETIRED POLICE  
ASSOCIATION  
PRESENTATION



CSP members

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BRISBANE EKKA



Joshua Thompson loves all things police and wants to be a Police officer when he grows up.



BRIBIE ISLAND EMERGENCY SERVICES EXPO



Mary-Anne and Lance Pratt joined Deb Nicholson at the CSP stand on Sunday 18th November at the 2018 Bribie Island Emergency Services Expo rescheduled event was a perfect sunny day, with big crowds.



Two future QPS recruits Eleon and Emerson checking out the CSP range of Junior Police clothing.



## Queensland Police Pipes & Drums



In 2018, the Queensland Police Pipes & Drums (QPP&D) will celebrate 60 years. To commemorate this Anniversary, a limited edition QPP&D Challenge Coin has been designed. All funds raised from the sale of these coins will be provided to Community Supporting Police. A not for profit organisation which

provides support and accommodation, at no charge, to members of the police family in times of emergency and family crisis. The coins may be purchased online via the Community Supporting Police store for delivery by Australia Post. There will be a small additional charge to cover postage to your nominated address.

The Police Headquarters Shop on the ground floor have the coins for sale, and are open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10am – 2pm

# Happy 60th Birthday



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

For more information regarding the Containers for Change Scheme please go to:  
[enquiries@containersforchange.com.au](mailto:enquiries@containersforchange.com.au)

For your information and consideration CPS has now registered as a Container Refund Scheme charity.  
 Our unique identification number is **C10018638**.

If you or your family or friends would like to "Container for Change" **refunds donated to CSP**, all they need to do is use the reference ID number **C10018638** when leaving their beverage containers at the container refund point and any deposits will be automatically directed into the nominated Community Supporting Police Bank Account.

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

Charlie's SliceIngredients:

3 cups mixed (fruit & nuts; grains & nuts; seeds & nuts; muesli or combination of all)  
 1 cup puffed (wheat/rice/grain)  
 1/2 cup desiccated coconut  
 1/2 cup honey  
 1 tablespoon coconut oil  
 1/4 teaspoon vanilla essence  
 ground ginger/cinnamon

Method:

1. **Pre heat oven** to 160 degrees
2. **Combine** dry ingredients into a bowl
3. **Microwave** wet ingredients for 30 second until melted
4. **Mix** dry ingredients with melted honey mixture
5. **Press** into a lined lamington tin/or oven tray
6. **Sprinkle** top with ground ginger/cinnamon
7. **Bake** in oven for 20-25 minutes
8. **Cool** in tin/ tray for 1 hour until honey sets
9. **Cut** into either squares or bars.

**Enjoy!!!**

With a cuppa, or broken up over yoghurt

Fran's 3 Ingredients Fruit CakeIngredients:

2 cups self raising flour  
 1 kg mixed fruit  
 600 mls flavoured milk or flavoured coffee  
 OR  
 600mls orange or cranberry juice

Method:

1. **Combine:** the fruit with the liquid
2. **Refrigerate:** mixture overnight or up to 3 nights
3. **Next day:** add 2 cups of self raising flour and mix well
4. **Bake:** in oven for 1 – 1½ hours. (time will depend on size of tin)

**Enjoy!!!**

With a cuppa or a little Christmas Cheer

Vi's Black Forest Cheese CakeIngredients:Crust:

250gm pack of Chocolate Ripple Biscuits (crushed)  
 125gms butter (melted)

Filling:

1 pack of cherry jelly crystals  
 3/4 cup boiling water  
 250gm cream cheese  
 1/4 cup sugar  
 1 can evaporated milk (well chilled)  
 1 lemon (juiced)  
 Vanilla essence  
 1 can black cherries (drained) ...**Retain juice.**  
 1 level teaspoon arrowroot  
 1 tablespoon rum  
 1 tablespoon caster sugar.

Method:Crust:

1. **Add** melted butter to biscuit crumbs, combine then press into a spring form tin.
2. **Set aside.**

Filling:

1. **Dissolve** jelly in hot water, allow to cool.
2. **Beat** cream cheese until soft, then add sugar & beat well
3. **Then** add cooled jelly and chill until partly set.
4. **Whip** evaporated milk until thick, add lemon juice and fold in 1/2 the cherries.
5. **Spoon** into pie crust.
6. **Chill** for at least 8 hours.

Topping:

1. **Bring** juice from cherries to the boil,
2. **Add** arrowroot, sugar & rum.
3. **Spread** on filling & leave for 1 hour.
4. **Top** with whipped cream & decorate with remaining cherries.

Doug's Cheese BallIngredients:

1 x 250gm packet cream cheese  
 1 x bottle gherkin relish  
 1/2 tablespoons curry powder  
 2 tablespoons paprika  
 500g grated tasty cheddar cheese

Method:

1. **Place** the cream cheese and gherkin relish in a bowl
2. **Mix** until well blended
3. **Add** in cheese, mix well
4. **Then** Form the mixture into a ball or log.
5. **Coat** completely in combined curry powder and paprika.
6. **Refrigerate** until firm
7. **Serve** with crackers

**Enjoy!!!**

With family and friends

This recipe will make 4 large or 6 smaller balls/logs.

**Enjoy!!!**

*As we bid farewell to 2018 we Thank you for being part of our busy year:*

Some of the highlights :

- The Behind the Crime Night presentations held at the Brisbane Girls Grammar School, in March and September
- Far North Queensland Branch also held a Behind the Crime Night at the James Cook University in June
- Ipswich Rotary "Emergency Services Awards" night.
- The QPS Chaplains Afternoon tea
- CSP Biennial conference held in Cairns in July.
- Pine Rivers Emergency Services Expo, Dayboro Day, Gympie Show, Caravan and Camping Show, Pine Rivers Show, Brisbane Ekka, 9 11 Rugby League Match, Bribie Island Emergency Services Expo.
- Police Induction Parades at the Oxley Academy.
- Dogs on Patrol events
- National Police Remembrance Day Ceremonies.

*We and look forward to working with or for you in 2018*

# Season's Greetings



*The members of Community Supporting Police Inc. would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank you for your continued support during 2018.*

*Without you, our dedicated members, our committed chaplains, our wonderful supporting businesses and community organisations, members of the public, and the amazing men and women from the Queensland Police Service, our organisation would not achieve its goal: of providing emergency accommodation, free of charge, to QPS members and their immediate families in times of crisis or trauma. Thank you.*

*We wish each of you: our readers, supporters and recipients of our emergency accommodation and/or Helping Hand fund; your family and friends all the magic of Christmas and peace, happiness and success for the coming year.*



**Junior Police Range:  
Polos Sizes 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 & 12  
Cap (adjustable)**



**JP Teddy  
\$12.00**



**Drink Holders  
\$5.00**



**\$30.00**



**Junior Police Cap  
\$10.00**



**CONSTABLE T. BEAR  
2014  
\$60.00**



**QPS Lanyard  
\$5.00**



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



**Koala Cop  
\$25.00**



**Community Supporting Police  
Pen in a Pouch**



**Pencil Holder  
\$2.00**



**Queensland Police Pipes & Drums  
Challenge Coins  
\$15.00**



**Connie the  
Horse  
\$12.00**

CSP merchandise can be purchased at our stalls at various community events.

Other locations where CSP merchandise can be purchased are:

Browns Plains, Capalaba, Ipswich Central, Loganholme Hyperdome & Toowoomba Central Police Beats as well as on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday (between 10.00 & 14.00) at the Police Headquarters Shop (ground floor 200 Roma Street Brisbane);

OR online at [www.csp.asn.au](http://www.csp.asn.au)

If you want to check out the CSP merchandise once you access [www.csp.asn.au](http://www.csp.asn.au) please go to "Our Store" by clicking on the links, orders can be made here with payments processed through PayPal or Credit Card for your convenience.

Alternatively, once you have selected your items you can place your orders through [orders@csp.asn.au](mailto:orders@csp.asn.au) and arrange for payment and delivery.

**As you are aware all funds raised go to support those who support us.**

**We sincerely thank you for your support.**