

NEWSLETTER

MAY 2019

Creating safer communities across the Territory since 1988



IMPORTANT NOTICES

Join Us!

Are you interested in helping create a safer NT? Are you a strategic thinker? Do you want to be part of a dynamic and motivated team?

NHWNT have some volunteer positions vacant on our Board of Management, for more information contact executive@nhwnt.org.au

Calling All Aspiring Movie Stars!

Neighbourhood Watch NT are filming a series of video for an online safety campaign, and we need your help!

For more information please see the advertisement at the back of this newsletter.

To register interest please email our Marketing Coordinator at admin@nhwnt.org.au with a headshot and an expression of interest which includes your name, age, height and any relevant experience.

COMMUNITY ART FROM THE HEART

NHWNT recently collaborated with community organisations and a group of at risk youth, to design and paint a community safety art mural.

This project was aimed to encourage the participants to make positive choices regarding alcohol and other drugs. The youth enjoyed a number of educational sessions focusing on the impact of alcohol and other drugs on themselves, their family and the wider community.

The completed artwork has received some wonderful feedback from community members in Palmerston and business owners have reported that it has helped in the reduction of graffiti in the area.

Well done to all of the organisations and youth involved - this art was really from the heart!



LAUNCHING INTO THE FUTURE

On Saturday 6 April, Neighbourhood Watch NT held their annual Planning Day. The day was attended by Board Members from all Territory regions, who met to discuss the future direction of NHWNT.

Data from the Member Survey was instrumental in discussion on future planning and we thank all the members who took the time to complete the survey. The plan is in its final drafting stages and will be presented to our valued members in the new financial year.

Watch this space for exciting innovations and future campaigns, and if you have any ideas or feedback on the future of NHWNT, get in touch!

SAFETY FOR ALL AGES

During the school holiday break, Neighbourhood Watch NT, in partnership with the NT Police, created a series of safety video campaigns. The campaign encouraged parents and caregivers to discuss safety with their children.

The videos touched on topics including: identifying an emergency, bike security, creating a network of safe places, online safety and child safety when home alone. We even had a child expert feature in the campaigns!

All of the videos can be found on our Facebook page, [facebook.com/nhwnt](https://www.facebook.com/nhwnt)

OUT AND ABOUT

NHWNT have been working closely with the Katherine Police to promote key safety initiatives around Katherine.

If you're in Katherine and would like to get involved, please get in contact with us.



Jenny Duggan, Katherine Regional Coordinator and Katherine School based Constable, Dani Mattuzzio at the NHWNT stall.

NT CRIME STATISTICS AT A GLANCE

Current crime statistics can be found on the [Northern Territory Police website](https://www.nt.gov.au/police/Community-safety/Northern-Territory-crime-statistics.aspx).

COMMERCIAL
BREAK-INS
HAVE
INCREASED
17.4%

PERSONAL
CRIME HAS
DECREASED
9.1%

PROPERTY
CRIME HAS
INCREASED
4.5%

MOTOR
VEHICLE
THEFTS HAVE
INCREASED
7.4%

HOME
BREAK-INS
HAVE
INCREASED
22.5%

All statistics based on a comparison between May 2018 - May 2019

Source: <http://pfes.nt.gov.au/Police/Community-safety/Northern-Territory-crime-statistics.aspx>

STOP. LOOK. LOCK.

NT Police are attending a high number of break-ins, into unlocked or unsecure premises!

Remind your friends and family to lock up, and to head to our website for more safety information!

OUR TEAM!

Lauren Winter - Southern Regional Coordinator

I have lived in Alice Springs since 1981 and have been involved with Neighbourhood Watch for over 10 years. I was previously a member of the Safety House program for 25+ years. I am involved in Guides as a parent and leader as well as being an active member of the Country Women's Association. I have always been involved with the community in some form.

I am married and have six children. I have previously coached various sporting teams and have held positions on the school councils. We have a variety of crazy pets, dogs, chickens, budgies and turtles. I enjoy cooking and craft in my ever diminishing spare time.

I will be the first point of contact for all of our Alice Springs members. Please get in touch at southernrc@nhwnt.org.au



Ashleigh Ascoli - Marketing and Administration Coordinator

I am super excited to be working for Neighbourhood Watch NT and to use my knowledge of graphic design and marketing to make a positive impact in the community. My role with NHWNT includes general administration duties as well as bringing you all of the publications (this Newsletter included), maintaining the Neighbourhood Watch website and social media platforms and helping to coordinate campaigns and marketing.

I am local to Darwin, and have a family history strongly linked to the NT. I love the top end lifestyle and enjoy camping, weekend markets and park hopping with my one year old daughter.

I look forward to meeting you all and assisting wherever I can. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any issues, queries or ideas for the future direction of the NHWNT marketing! I am contactable at admin@nhwnt.org.au or 0497 008 807.



WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

If you have any thoughts, ideas or feedback for us - we would love to hear it.

Please email nhwnt@nhwnt.org.au

CALLING ALL ASPIRING MOVIE STARS!

Neighbourhood Watch NT are filming a series of video advertisements for an online safety campaign, and we need your help.

There are several roles which contain dialogue*, and some supporting roles, with no dialogue.

Roles

Male tradesman*, aged 25 to 35, access to ute with toolbox on tray

Male tradesman, aged 25 to 35

Mother*, aged 25+ with two young children, aged 6+

Two young females*, aged 16-25

Couple*, aged 50+

Young male*, aged 12-16, access to bike and ability to ride at skate park

3-5 young males and/or females, aged 12-16, access to bike and ability to ride at skate park

For more information on individual characters and to register interest please email our Marketing Coordinator with a headshot and an expression of interest which includes your name, age, height and any relevant experience.

Ashleigh Ascoli

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Filming will take place between late May to early June, and will be finalised based on availability. Filming may take up to two hours and will be shot in a single day.

Please note, this is an unpaid opportunity but refreshments will be provided on the day. You will be required to sign a talent release form and if under the age of 16, will require parental consent.