



MEDIA RELEASE
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TOP HONOURS FOR TWO NT VOLUNTEERS

Two deserving volunteers, Peter Mostran, Central Australia and Cindy Holden, Top End have been named joint winners in the prestigious NT Volunteer of the Year Awards 2022.

With a passion for events, Peter has been a volunteer Site Manager with Rotary Alice Springs Henley on Todd Incorporated for the past 35 years. As an understated achiever, Peter is known for his attention to detail, direct leadership style, and incredible work ethic, which all attest to the success of his events. Peter also volunteers for the Finke Desert Race and Harts Range Amateur Race Club.

Cindy, a volunteer fire fighter, joined the Berry Springs Volunteer Bushfire Brigade five years ago. As a well-respected community member, Cindy has an excellent grasp on work, family and volunteering life balance, bringing a healthy culture of inclusivity to her Brigade. Cindy 'runs a smooth ship', instilling a safety-first mentality with her crew. She is also happy to give her time as a mentor to develop the skills of other volunteers.

Seven other volunteers from emergency services (Bushfires NT and NTES) join the top winners.

Dual winner from Central Australia, Catherine Driver, a NTES volunteer won both the Emergency Services Volunteer of the Year, and the new NTSESVA Emergency Services Youth Volunteer of the Year Award.

Since 2015, Catherine has been with the NTSES Alice Springs Volunteer Unit and is an active member of the Vertical Rescue Team, actively participating in community and education awareness campaigns. She is a NTES representative at the National Disaster Rescue Challenge, furthering her leadership skills.

Other volunteer winners came from a diverse cross-section of organisations including CDU Women's Collective for Innovation and Change, Foodbank Alice Springs and Darwin Community Legal Service.

Hamilton Calder, CEO Volunteering SA&NT said that the winners were humbled to be recognised for doing something that comes from the heart.

"These amazing people from all walks of life, have chosen to give back to the community, and their volunteering is done without expectations.

"They are an inspiration and deserve to be celebrated," said Hamilton.

In their 14th year, these Awards continue to recognise the exceptional contribution of volunteers and organisations all working for the benefit of the community.

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2022 WINNERS

NT Volunteer of the Year Award

Winners: Peter Mostran, Rotary Alice Springs Henley on Todd Incorporated (Central Australia)
Cindy Holden, Berry Springs Volunteer Bushfire Brigade, Bushfires NT (Top End)

CENTRAL AUSTRALIA

Chief Minister's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Volunteer of the Year Award

Winner: Kevron Foster, Foodbank Alice Springs

Chief Minister's Youth Volunteer of the Year Award

Winner: Tyler Bevan, Alice Springs Volunteer Bushfire Brigade, Bushfires NT

Chief Minister's Volunteer of the Year Award

Winner – Peter Mostran, Rotary Alice Springs Henley on Todd Incorporated
*Highly Commended – Russell North, Heart Foundation Alice Springs, Cycling Club, Alice Springs
Running and Walking*

NT SES VA Emergency Services Youth Volunteer of the Year Award

Winner: Catherine Driver, NTES

Emergency Services Volunteer of the Year Award

Winner: Catherine Driver, NTES

Excellence in Volunteer Management Award

Winner: Simon Casey, Alice Springs Volunteer Bushfire Brigade, Bushfires NT

INPEX Community Volunteer Organisation/Team of the Year Award

Winner: Purple House

TOP END

Chief Minister's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Volunteer of the Year Award

Winner: Daniel (Roque) Lee, Cox Peninsula Volunteer Bushfire Brigade, Bushfires NT

Chief Minister's Youth Volunteer of the Year Award

Winner: Alina Biju - CDU Women's Collective for Innovation and change

Chief Minister's Volunteer of the Year Award

Winner: Yuba Panta, Nepalese Association of Northern Territory
*Highly Commended: Christine Turner, St John NT and Edwin Lourdes Joseph MCNT, ADCNT, DASSAN,
RfPA, FECCA, NEDA, MHFA, Saffron Day, IPAA, ACS, and others*

NT SES VA Emergency Services Youth Volunteer of the Year Award

Winner: Alwin Corporaal, NTES
Highly Commended: Fletcher Austin, NTES

TOP END cont.

INPEX Community Volunteer Organisation/Team of the Year Award

Winners: Darwin Community Legal Service, and
Kindness Shake

Highly Commended: Red Cross - Connected Women Program

Excellence in Volunteer Management Award

Winner: Graeme Edward Steer, NTES

Highly Commended: Kindness Shake Volunteer Management

Emergency Services Volunteer of the Year Award

Winner: Cindy Holden, Berry Springs Volunteer Bushfire Brigade, Bushfires NT



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