



# NORTHERN PASSENGER TRANSPORT NETWORK VOLUNTEER NEWSLETTER

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## Car Parking

The New RAH has provided Parking Permits for each volunteer vehicle.

The Permits are adhered to the front window of the vehicle with the car rego printed on the permit.

These permits are non-transferable and renewed yearly.

They can't be removed or used by any other organisation or individual.



## Trams

South Australia has extended its tramway and is now a major part of the metropolitan road network.

Drivers and pedestrians need to be aware of the road rules associated with trams, so everyone can share the road safely.

Drivers need to take extra care when driving near trams and be on the lookout for pedestrians who cross the road to catch a tram without looking.

Tram tracks are usually positioned in the middle of the road with specially marked tram lanes and where vehicles are not permitted.

**SAFETY  
ZONE**

Tram stops are indicated by a tram safety zone sign and is usually on a traffic island. When driving past a tram safety zone a driver must drive to the left of the safety zone at a speed that would not danger pedestrians crossing the road.



## Seat Belts and Restraints

Wearing seatbelts is compulsory, not a choice. Seatbelts must be worn by people in a motor vehicle when it is moving or stationary, but not parked. A person must not occupy a seat without wearing a seatbelt.

### Drivers Responsibility

It's an offence against the driver if any passenger of any age does not wear a seat belt, when the driver is in charge of the vehicle.

All children up to 7 years of age must be in an approved child safety seat appropriate for their age and size.

### Remember

1. A seatbelt is only effective if worn correctly.
2. Two people must not be restrained in the same seatbelt.
3. A seatbelt worn loosely may inflict injury on the wearer in a crash.

### Exemptions

Only holders of a medical certificate of exemption from a medical practitioner or the Minister for Transport. Certificates must be carried by the passenger at all times.



## Volunteer Meeting

**ORROROO**  
9am / Friday 20th October

**PETERBOROUGH**  
10.40am / Friday 20th October

**JAMESTOWN**  
1.00pm / Friday 20th October

**GLADSTONE**  
2.40pm / Friday 20th October

**QUORN**  
10.30am / Monday 23rd October

**MELROSE**  
1.00pm / Monday 23rd October

## 2nd October Labour Day

The history of Labour Day in Australia spans over a century. It is an important annual event that remembers those who struggled and succeeded to ensure decent and fair working conditions in Australia. During the mid to late 1800s the working day was long and arduous, where some employees would work up to 12 hours a day, six days a week.

Many Australians saw the need for better working conditions and in the 1850s there was a strong push for this. On April 21, 1856, stonemasons at the University of Melbourne marched to Parliament House to push for an eight-hour working day. An agreement with employers for a 48-hour week was eventually reached and Australian workers welcomed the new eight-hour day. A victory march was held on May 12 that year and each year after that. In 1856 the new work regulations were recognized in New South Wales, followed by Queensland in 1858 and South Australia in 1873.



## Fire Policy



Fire Danger season is on the way.

The warm weather has started, and this is a reminder to all volunteers that the vehicles will not run

on days where a Catastrophic fire warning has been announced by the CFS.

All clients will be told when making a booking that during Catastrophic weather conditions, the vehicles will not run and the client will be contacted before 5pm the afternoon before the schedule transportation.

NPTN will endeavour to change the clients appointments in this event.

On days of extreme and severe fire danger the cars will run, but under strict procedures as set out in the Fire Policy Guidelines.

All volunteers must adhere to these guidelines and be in constant contact with the office to report in until the trip is completed.

The policy is available from the office, by email or on the Council's web site.

### Trips for 2016-2017 Financial year

Number of Client One-way trips 2700

Number of Carers One-way trips 622

**Total 3,322**

#### Km's driven by volunteers

Jamestown 44,090

Peterborough 44,783

Orroroo 20,320

Melrose 22,382

Gladstone 36,311

Quorn 4,936

Van 7,640

#### Volunteer Hr's

Jamestown 996.14

Peterborough 901.15

Orroroo 438.94

Melrose 470.74

Gladstone 804.64

Quorn 103.97

Van 171.40

**Total Km's 180,471**

**Total hour's 3,876.98**

#### Bus bookings taken

Medical Bus Clients 631

Medical Bus Carers 217

Social Bus 1,950

### Figures for August

#### Car Bookings Only

Trips: 282+ Carers 116

Total outputs: 398

Kilometres: 17,515

Volunteer Hours:

363.25

#### Bus Bookings taken

Medical Bus:

87clients + 26 carers

Social Bus:

148clients

### Save This Date

Volunteers Christmas  
Function

Friday 8th December

at

Booleroo Ministry Centre  
4 Borgas St Booleroo Centre

Starting at 10.30am

Lunch Provided

Volunteers

and

Committee Members

Welcome



### Supporting Bodies

