



NORTHERN PASSENGER TRANSPORT NETWORK VOLUNTEER NEWSLETTER

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Roadworks update for the Northern Connector

A traffic switch on Port Wakefield Road will be in place for construction works affecting North Bound traffic on Port Wakefield Road.

Traffic will be maintained in both directions at all times, with signage in place to alert motorists to the changed conditions. A temporary on-ramp will be opened to maintain traffic flow.

For real-time road work information, visit the Traffic SA website at www.traffic.sa.gov.au



Walk The Mother's Day Classic.



Anyone wanting to join Cynthia from NPTN and Tammy from the District Council of Mount Remarkable walk in the Mothers Day Classic at Melrose are welcome. Walk to support the research for breast cancer.

The walk will be starting at Paradise Square at 10.00am going to the Melrose football oval and return. People can walk as much or as little as they like. There is a donate to join the walk.

This will be followed by a gold coin donation for a sausage sizzle afterwards.

If you need more information ring the office on 8666 2255.



Paperwork

A reminder to all volunteer drivers to fill in the drivers log sheets. Include as much information as possible about locations and any stops on the way to and from appointments.



Also remember to fill in the kilometres driven with volunteer hours and any moneys received.

This will assist the office staff when completing the data entry for each trip.

Rear-end Collisions

Drivers need to focus on the road at all times while driving, and keep a safe distance between themselves and the vehicle in front.

There should always be at least eight or nine metres between yourself and the vehicle in front.

It only takes a split second of distraction that leads to one of the most common accidents so please leave distant between you and the next vehicle.



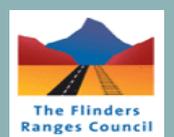
Mothers Day Sunday 12th May

To all the mums out there:-
Here's wishing you a Mothers Day
That's filled with every pleasure
And a future that's as happy
As the memories you treasure.



Happy Mothers Day 

Supporting Bodies



Blind Spots

Despite evolving car-safety technology, blind spots are still an issue while driving. That's why it's so important to make sure you're doing everything you can to reduce them.

Check your seat position:

Before you even think about adjusting your mirrors, make sure the driver's seat is in a position that's comfortable. Your arms should be in a relaxed, slightly bent position when your hands are on the steering wheel.

Look behind you:

While sitting in the driver's seat, look into your rear-view mirror. The back window of your car should be entirely visible and well-framed by the mirror. If not, adjust the mirror until it is.

Focus on side-mirrors:

Having your side-mirrors set too far inwards can mean that you're seeing too much of your car and not enough of what is happening around you.

Starting first with the driver's side mirror, make sure the handle of the car's rear door is positioned in the bottom left corner of the mirror. For the passenger side mirror, it should be the bottom right corner.

Making adjustments is an easy way to expand your line of vision.

While setting up your car correctly this will help minimise those pesky blind spots, you may never get rid of all of them altogether, depending on the car you drive. Always check your mirrors thoroughly and check over your shoulder before turning or changing lanes.

Re-check your mirrors:

Every time you use the volunteer vehicle check your blind spots remember that the person before you may have change the settings.

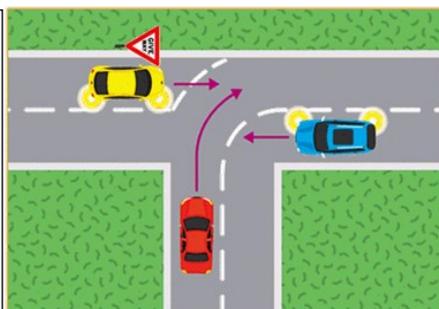


Yellow Stop Lights

You must stop at a yellow traffic light unless it is unsafe to do so. A yellow traffic light is not an extension of the green light. It is the beginning of a red light. As you approach a traffic light, check your mirror to see if there is a vehicle close behind, so you will know if it will be safe to stop suddenly.

Which order should these cars go?

- A. Red, Blue, Yellow
- B. Blue, Red, Yellow
- C. Yellow Blue Red



Answer: B

The give way sign at the T-intersection means the blue car is travelling on the continuing road. The yellow car is facing the give way sign and must give way to all traffic. The red car is next as it is turning right on to the continuing road and the yellow goes last.

Figures for March Car Trips

Trips 182 with 16 carers Total 198
Total Kilometres: 16,587
Total Volunteer Hours: 364.07

Figures for February Bus Trips

Medical bus 39 with 12 carers Total 51
Social bus 189
Total bus bookings taken 233

Meeting Dates For May

Friday May 17th 2019

Orroroo 9.00am Orroroo Hospital Room
Peterborough 10.30am Peterborough Hospital
Jamestown 1.00pm Northern Area Council
Gladstone 2.30pm Anglican Church Gladstone

Monday May 27th 2019

Quorn 10.30am Flinders Ranges Council
Melrose 1.00pm District Council of Mount Remarkable