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2016/17
AGM Annual Report

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Presidents Message

I am very pleased to present the Neighbourhood Watch NT's (NHWNT) Annual Report for the financial year ending 30 June 2017, which highlights our performance and key achievements.

Neighbourhood Watch NT has experienced another successful year. Our key programs remain a popular and relevant part of the community resulting with the Neighbourhood Watch NT brand remaining well known.

In 2017 the NHWNT Management Committee saw some significant membership changes with key executive members resigning. I was honoured to be appointed as your new president and am pleased to say that I believe we have a Management Committee that is inclusive and committed to the strategic leadership and governance of NHWNT. These changes also presented an opportunity to review our priorities, governance arrangements as well as the structure of our organisation.

In setting our strategic priorities for the next two years we have focused on improving our program delivery and our business policies and processes. Many of these have been reviewed and our business systems are continually improving. The need to negotiate a new funding agreement with the Northern Territory Government and review our Constitution has come out of this work.

In addition to the ongoing delivery of programs that meet the needs of our members and the community we have also been looking at how we can better support our volunteers and implement a revised volunteer program.

Over the next 12 months we will also focus on increasing our reputation and building on our brand awareness, building on our growing membership and attracting new partners.

In January 2017 the Management Committee appointed an Office Manager, Ms Hannah Finbow. Hannah has been integral in our achievements to date and supporting the Committee. The dedication and professionalism of the NHWNT Police Support staff, with support from our Regional Coordinators and volunteers, has led to the successful delivery our programs, including Mark your Territory and Safety House, and participation in the 110 community events that we attended or delivered in 2016-17. Well done team!

I would also like to acknowledge the Northern Territory Government and the NT Police for their financial and in kind support that underpins our Organisation's work in helping to keep our community safe. And of course we would not be the successful organisation that we are without our members and the valuable support of our volunteers.

About Us

Neighbourhood Watch NT (NHWNT) is a not for profit community based crime prevention organisation that was first established in the Northern Territory in 1988. It aims to create safe, connected and inclusive Northern Territory communities.

NHWNT works closely with our partners, including Neighbourhood Watch Australasia (NHWAA) and the Northern Territory Police, to empower people to take responsibility for their own safety through the provision of education, information and tools.

We are active in the community:

- Encouraging the reporting of crime and suspicious activity
- Raising awareness and educating the community about personal safety strategies
- Encouraging neighbours to get to know each other
- Developing and strengthening partnerships in the Community

The ultimate success of Neighbourhood Watch depends largely on its members and the community working in partnership with the NT Police to assist with the prevention of crime and promotion of community and personal safety.

Our Management Committee

The current voting committee members who are responsible for the submission of the report are as below:

Jennifer Malone	President / Public Officer
Cheryl Watson	Secretary
Lauren Winter	Southern Regional Coordinator
Jack Henderson	Committee Member
Gary Haslett	Vice President & LGANT Representative
Hendrik Barnard	Treasurer
Jill Kleiner	Barkly Regional Coordinator
Phil Ryder	Committee Member

Additional non-voting members who have contributed to the Management Committee include:

Vicki Whitney	Ex Officio President
Superintendent Virginia Read	NHWA Board and NT Police Representative

Throughout the 2016/17 financial year the Management Committee has experienced various changes. Please find a list of all Committee members and the period for which they were accountable.

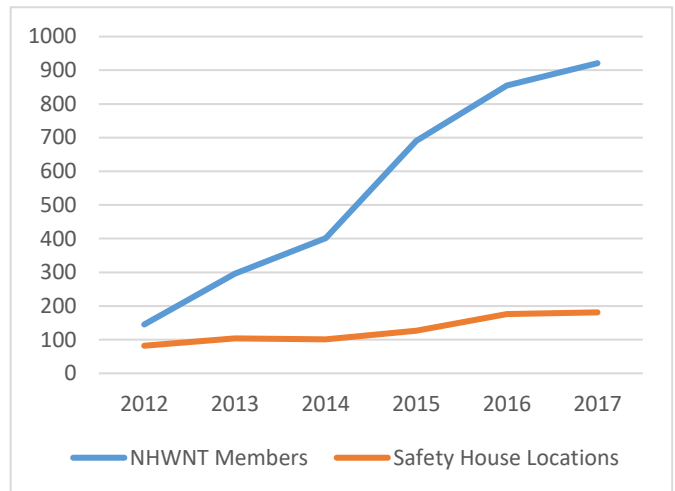
Name	Position	Date Commenced	End of Tenure
Vicki Whitney	President	Pre 2016/17	November 16
Gary Haslett	Acting Vice President LGANT Representative Vice President	Pre 2016/17 April 2017	November 16 Current Current
Helen Roberts	Treasurer	Pre 2016/17	November 2016
Angela Cornall	Northern Regional Coordinator	Pre 2016/17	November 2016
Phil Ryder	Public Officer Ordinary Committee Member	Pre 2016/17 November 2016	November 2016 Current
Jack Henderson	Ordinary Committee Member Treasurer Ordinary Committee Member	Pre 2016/17 November 2016 March 2017	November 2016 March 2017 Current
Marion Hancock	Ordinary Committee Member	Pre 2016 /17	November 2016
Janine Fong Lim	Secretary	November 2016	February 2017
Phil Capper	Vice President	November 2016	March 2017
Jenny Malone	Public Officer Vice President President	November 2016 March 2017 April 2017	Current April 2017 Current
Ameena Serao	President	November 2016	April 2017
Lauren Winter	Southern Regional Coordinator	Pre 2016/17	Current
Galia Fomin	Secretary	March 2017	April 2017
Duana Job	Katherine Regional Coordinator	Pre 2016/17	July 2016
Jill Kleiner	Barkly Regional Coordinator	Pre 2016/17	Current
Rathi Ramanathan	Northern Regional Coordinator	November 2016	March 2017

Membership Statistics

Since 2012 our organisation has documented year on year growth.

This continued in 2016/17 with our overall membership increasing by 7.8%. This is outlined in the chart.

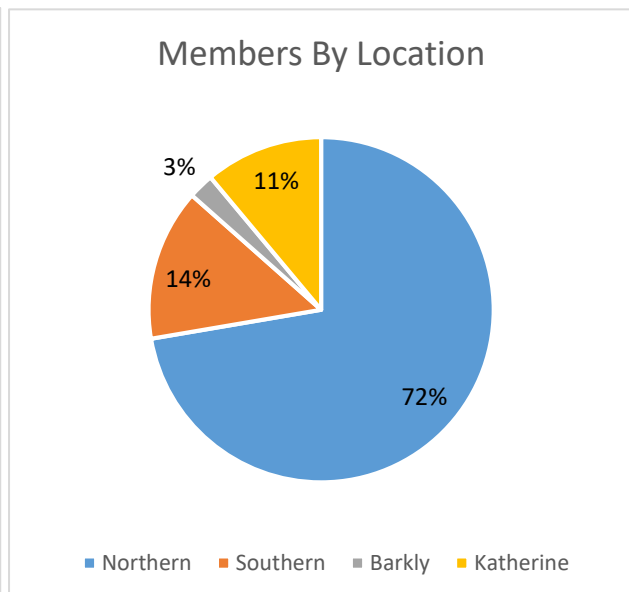
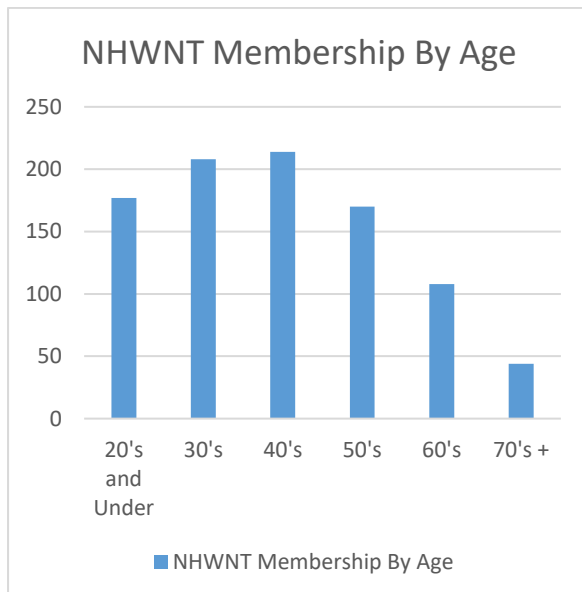
The Safety House program also continues to be popular across the NT and despite a highly transient population it remains consistently steady. The Safety House figures displayed in the chart refer to the number of Safety House locations, not the NHWNT members affiliated with that Safety House.



Membership Figures as at 30th June 2017

Membership Type	Number of registrations	Comparison with June 2016
NHWNT Members	921	7.8% Increase
Safety House Locations	181	1.6% Increase

Breakdown of Members by Age and Location



The above breakdown of age displayed is reflective of the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) 2015 Population data that estimated that the NT population was 244,300 with the median age sitting at 32.2 years. The members by location pie chart is also comparative with the population data with the ABS reporting that 58% of the NT population lives in the Greater Darwin area that forms part of the NHWNT "Northern Region".

Volunteer Statistics

In addition to our members that are actively promoting neighbourhood watch in their communities, 8.5% (78 people) of our total membership are volunteers participating in our events. Throughout the 2016/17 financial year this group of fantastic people contributed 821 hours of their time supporting NHWNT and promoting our programs in the community.

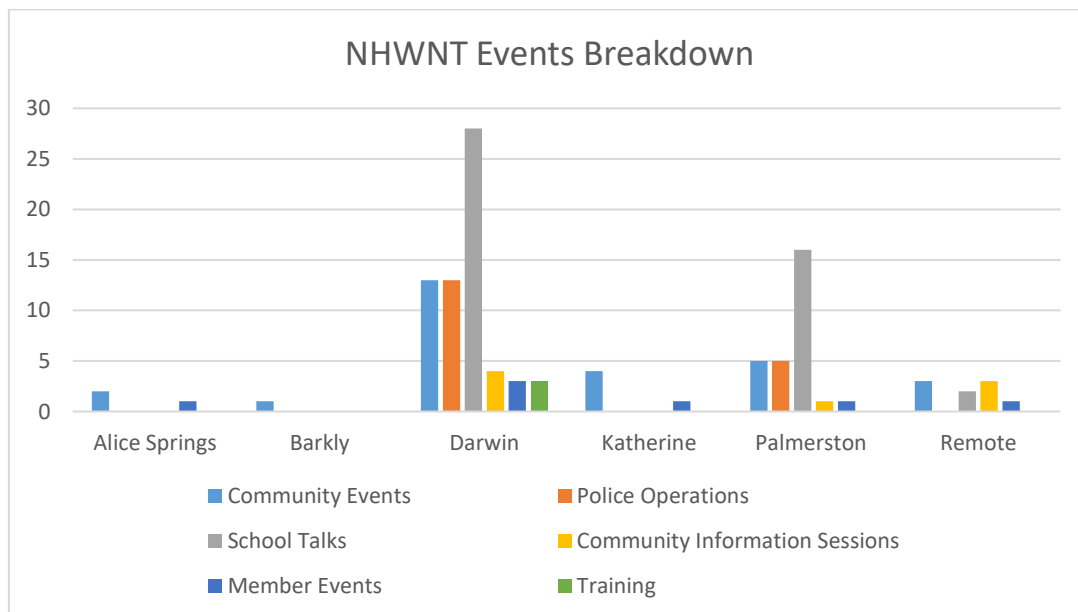
According to the Australian Bureau of Statistics, State and Territory Earnings report for May 2017 the average hourly rate for the NT is \$42.50, which means that the contribution from our volunteers would have cost NHWNT in excess of \$34,892 in kind support.

Event Statistics

This year NHWNT staff and or our volunteers have participated in 110 different community events. Refer Appendix A for a detailed listing.

EVENT TYPE	AMOUNT
COMMUNITY EVENTS	28
POLICE OPERATIONS	18
SCHOOL TALKS	46
COMMUNITY INFORMATION SESSIONS	8
MEMBER EVENTS	7
TRAINING	3
TOTAL	110

The chart below is a breakdown of these by location. Please note that one event was the NHTA 2016 Conference which is not detailed in the below data it was interstate.



The data above refers to Police Operations. Please note that NHWNT have assisted NT Police on four community engagement operations during the year. The data above demonstrates that we have contributed to those Operations on 18 different occasions.

Financial Overview

For this funding period NHWNT received \$128,318 (GST exclusive). In 2016-17 NHWNT's expenditure totaled \$121,971.

For a detailed financial breakdown please refer to the 2016/17 NHWNT Audit attached to this report.

Future Plans & Summary

In setting our strategic priorities for the next two years we have focused on improving our program delivery and our business policies and processes. Many of these have been reviewed and our business systems are continually improving. The need to review and update our Constitution has come out of this work.

In addition to on the delivery of programs that meet the needs of our members and the community we have also been looking at how we can better support our volunteers and implement a volunteer program that aligns with National Principles for Volunteering.

The increasing community concern about crime in our neighbourhoods has also increased demand for our programs and campaigns. With on-going support we aim develop new initiatives and improve the delivery of our programs, increase and broaden our membership base to meet this increasing demand.

Over the next 12 months we will continue to focus on our future planning and improving our governance and business policies and processes. We will also focus on increasing our reputation and building on our brand awareness, building on our growing membership and attracting new partners.

We have a number of new projects coming that will assist with not only completing the goals outlined on the NHWNT Strategic Action Plan, but will contribute to the longevity and relevance of our Organisation in the future.

Our current funding agreement with the Northern Territory Government is due to expire in June 2018. Renegotiating this agreement and securing appropriate future funding and will be a priority and vital for the ongoing delivery and expansion of NHWNT's programs and reach. Importantly this will need to consider our increasing number of members and demand for our initiatives and services. It should also be highlighted that our current funding has remained at a fixed annual flat rate over the life of the current four year agreement.

Again, we would like to acknowledge the valued contribution that the Northern Territory Government and NT Police have made to the success of NHWNT and we look forward to continuing this partnership.

Appendix A: Community Events and Presentations

01/07/2016	Alice Springs Show 1 & 2 July
08/07/2016	Tennant Creek Show
15/07/2016	Katherine Show 15 & 16 July
21/07/2016	Royal Darwin Show 21 - 23 July
29/07/2016	St Mary's Catholic Primary School - Safety House School Talk
04/08/2016	National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Day Fun Day, Ludmilla Primary School
05/08/2016	Nakara Primary School - Safety House School Talk
06/08/2016	Alyangula Picnic Day NHWNT display
07/08/2016	Teddy Bears Picnic, George Brown Botanic Gardens
10/08/2016	NHWNT Board Meeting
12/08/2016	Nightcliff Primary School - Safety House School Talk
17/08/2016	Neighbourhood Watch NT Presentation - Litchfield Council Chambers
17/08/2016	Rosebery Primary School After School Care - Safety House & Personal Safety Talk
19/08/2016	Wanguri Primary School - Safety House School Talk
22/08/2016	St Paul's Catholic School - Safety House School Talk
24/08/2016	Good Shepherd Primary School (Palmerston) - Safety House School Talk
26/08/2016	Neighbourhood Watch NT Presentation to MCNT & Catholic Care, Malak
26/08/2016	Rosebery Primary School - Safety House School Talk
29/08/2016	Neighbourhood Watch NT Presentation to Seniors Forum, Cazaly's Sports Club
30/08/2016	St Andrews Lutheran School, Leanyer - Safety House School Talk
02/09/2016	Alawa Primary School - Safety House School Talk
03/09/2016	St Paul's Catholic School Fete
07/09/2016	Neighbourhood Watch NT Presentation to Probus, Tracy Village Sports Club
08/09/2016	Neighbourhood Watch NT Presentation to Greenfields Living, Tiwi
09/09/2016	Kormilda Primary School - Safety House School Talk
11/09/2016	Neighbourhood Watch NT Presentation to Dundee Beach Progress Association
14/09/2016	NHWNT Board Meeting
16/09/2016	Moil Primary School - Safety House School Talk
23/09/2016	Driver Primary School - Safety House School Talk
03/10/2016	2016 Neighbourhood Watch Week - Static Display, Casuarina Shopping Centre
03/10/2016	2016 Neighbourhood Watch Week - Static Display, Nhulunbuy Library
04/10/2016	2016 Neighbourhood Watch Week - Static Display, Katherine Shopping Centre
05/10/2016	2016 Neighbourhood Watch Week - Static Display, Palmerston Shopping Centre
07/10/2016	2016 Neighbourhood Watch Week - Static Display, Botanic Gardens
09/10/2016	2016 Neighbourhood Watch Week - Static Display, Alice Springs Todd Mall
12/10/2016	NHWNT Board Meeting
19/10/2016	NHWNT 2016 Annual General Meeting - YMCA Barbara James House,
21/10/2016	Woodroffe Primary School - Safety House School Talk
25/10/2016	National Children's Week Event - Palmerston Recreation Centre
28/10/2016	Girraween Primary School - Safety House School Talk
28/10/2016	Palmerston Markets Closing Night - NHWNT & NT Police Stall
02/11/2016	NHW Australasia AGM/Conference & Australian Institute of Criminology QLD
04/11/2016	Durack Primary School - Safety House School Talk
07/11/2016	Personal Safety Session for Grade 6 Class - Gray Primary School
07/11/2016	Sacred Heart Primary School - Safety House School Talk
09/11/2016	Personal Safety Talk - Rosebery Rising Stars Early Learning Centre
10/11/2016	Neighbourhood Watch NT Board of Management Meeting
15/11/2016	Personal Safety Talk - Good Start Early Learning Centre, Berrimah

16/11/2016	Personal Safety Session for Grade 6 Class - Moulden Primary School
18/11/2016	Moulden Park Primary School - Safety House School Talk
22/11/2016	Operation Bicoso III - Malak Door Knocking & Engagement (NT Police & NHWNT)
23/11/2016	Operation Bicoso III - Malak Door Knocking & Engagement (NT Police & NHWNT)
24/11/2016	Neighbourhood Watch NT Volunteer End of Year Thank You Function, Nhulunbuy
24/11/2016	Nhulunbuy Christian College - Safety House Assembly Talk 1pm
24/11/2016	Operation Bicoso III - Malak Door Knocking & Engagement (NT Police & NHWNT)
25/11/2016	Nhulunbuy Primary School - Safety House School Assembly Talk 12.00noon
25/11/2016	Operation Bicoso III - Malak Door Knocking & Engagement (NT Police & NHWNT)
08/12/2016	Howard Springs Primary School - Safety House School Talk
09/12/2016	Neighbourhood Watch NT Volunteer End of Year Thank You Function - Katherine
14/12/2016	Neighbourhood Watch NT Board of Management Meeting
16/12/2016	Neighbourhood Watch NT Volunteer End of Year Thank You Function - Gray
16/12/2016	Neighbourhood Watch NT Volunteer End of Year Function - Alice Springs
21/12/2016	21-23 December Casuarina Shopping Centre
28/12/2016	28 - 30 December Casuarina Shopping Centre
03/01/2017	03 January Palmerston Shopping Centre
04/01/2017	04 - 06 January Casuarina Shopping Centre
09/01/2017	09 - 10 January Palmerston Shopping Centre
11/01/2017	11 - 13 January Casuarina Shopping Centre
16/01/2017	16 - 17 January Palmerston Shopping Centre
18/01/2017	18 - 20 January Casuarina Shopping Centre
23/01/2017	23-24 January Palmerston Shopping Centre
25/01/2017	25 January Casuarina Shopping Centre
03/02/2017	Manunda Terrace Primary School (Karama) - Safety House School
09/02/2017	Neighbourhood Watch NT Board of Management Meeting
10/02/2017	Jingili Primary School - Safety House School Talk
11/02/2017	Defence Community Organisation 'Welcome to Darwin Expo" - Darwin
15/02/2017	Alawa Primary School Learning Expo
16/02/2017	Door Knocking with NT Police at Moulden
17/02/2017	Larrakeyah Primary School - Safety House School Talk
18/02/2017	NHWNT Board Governance Training Day
23/02/2017	Door Knocking with NT Police at Stuart Park
24/02/2017	Berry Springs Primary School - Safety House School Talk
24/02/2017	Karama Primary School - Safety House School Talk
25/02/2017	NHWNT 2017 Planning Day
01/03/2017	Door Knocking with Police in Coconut Grove
03/03/2017	Holy Family Catholic School (Karama) - Safety House School Talk
06/03/2017	Cyber Safety Think U Know Adult Presentation Training to NHWNT volunteers
09/03/2017	Neighbourhood Watch NT Board of Management Meeting
10/03/2017	Alawa Primary School - Safety House School Talk
11/03/2017	International Women's Day at Parliament House
14/03/2017	NHWNT Community Safety Information evening - Wagait Beach
15/03/2017	Door Knocking with NT Police in Karama
17/03/2017	Anula Primary School - Safety House School Talk
18/03/2017	NHWNT Volunteer Meeting 3-5pm at Winnellie
24/03/2017	Malak Primary School - Safety House School Talk
25/03/2017	NTPFES Crime Prevention & Safety Expo
26/03/2017	Neighbour Day
30/03/2017	National Youth Week 30/03/2017 - 07/04/2017

31/03/2017	Essington School - Safety House School Talk
04/04/2017	Personal Safety & Safety House Talk - Mitchell Street Child Care Centre
06/04/2017	Durack Primary School - Safety House School Talk
07/04/2017	Millner Primary School - Safety House School Talk
08/04/2017	Katherine Community Market - NHWNT Static Display
08/04/2017	Katherine Oasis Shopping Centre - NHWNT Static Display
08/04/2017	Parap Road Safety Centre Family Fun Day
13/04/2017	NHWNT Board of Management Meeting
21/04/2017	Kormilda Primary School - Safety House School Talk
28/04/2017	Ludmilla Primary School - Safety House School Talk
05/05/2017	Nightcliff Primary School - Safety House School Talk
07/05/2017	Ima Safety House Birthday Fun Day - Jingili Water Gardens
08/05/2017	National Volunteer Week
10/05/2017	National Volunteer Garden Party - Darwin Waterfront Precinct
10/05/2017	Wulagi Primary School - Safety House School Talk
11/05/2017	NHWNT Board Meeting
12/05/2017	Leanyer Primary School - Safety House School Talk
13/05/2017	Fred's Pass Rural Show
16/05/2017	Calma Gardens NHWNT Information Evening
19/05/2017	St Mary's Catholic School - Safety House School Talk
26/05/2017	Moil Primary School - Safety House School Talk
01/06/2017	Forrest Parade School opening
02/06/2017	COTA Seniors 2017 Expo - Darwin Museum & Arts Gallery
02/06/2017	Gray Primary School - Safety House School Talk
10/06/2017	Nhulunbuy Police Safety Expo - Nhulunbuy Town Hall
13/06/2017	NHWNT Business Resilience Workshop