

# COMMUNITY PATROLS OF NEW ZEALAND



## OCTOBER 2020 PATROLLER BRIEFING



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Congratulations Motueka Community Patrol who have upgraded the lightbar on their Patrol Vehicle, thanks to funding from Harcourts



## A Word from our Chair.....

My thoughts this week were focused on the Police Remembrance Day where, around the country there was much reflection on the Police Officers whose lives have been taken while carrying out their duties and protecting their communities. I was proud to attend, along with the CPNZ Board and staff at the Royal New Zealand Police College and be part of those assembled to listen to the Police Commissioner, Minister of Police and the Governor General and other Executive members speak of those that had sacrificed so much. It was also a fantastic experience to observe the latest recruits show their respect by performing a Haka culminating with a salute to those that had fallen.

Giving me and the Board much pride in our organisation, I received reports this week, of two significant efforts by patrollers from around the country. Patrollers from the Tauranga South Community Patrol used their collective knowledge and experience after receiving a 10/1 call from Police about a missing child. This led them to carry out a patrol pattern that enabled them to locate the child, in inclement weather and in a worrying state of health. The child was handed over to Police after receiving some much needed care and attention. To the Patrollers involved, knowing the care you took in this matter, all I can say is, you are all wonderful people.



In the Tasman region Patroller and District Support Officer Marty Price and Patroller Gareth Worboys from the Richmond Community Patrol came to the aid of a Police Officer, working alone and having difficulty with the apprehension of an offender. The matter could well have got out of hand but the quick thinking and dedication to supporting their local Police enabled the situation to be controlled. The Patrollers then assisted the Police Officer to get some medical attention. Well done to you both.

While our patrolling activity is primarily focused on being eyes and ears and preventive patrolling, at times Patrollers have to go beyond and the end



result is the efforts seen in these two recent examples which exemplify the great people we have in this organisation.

I wish you all the best and safe patrolling,

**Chris Lawton,  
Trust Board Chairperson**

*Chris Lawton*

Friday, 16th October!



Pink Shirt Day is about working together to stop bullying by celebrating diversity and promoting positive social relationships. Will your patrol be participating?

# CROWDED PLACES STRATEGY RELEASE

We all have a responsibility to keep our crowded places safe. As individuals, we need to understand how to recognise and report suspicious behaviour and we need to be clear about what to do in the unlikely event of getting caught up in an attack.

For more information, visit:

<https://www.police.govt.nz/advice-services/protecting-crowded-places-attack/know-what-do>

<https://www.police.govt.nz/advice-services/protecting-crowded-places-attack/crowded-places-strategy>

On 5th November, we encourage YOU to take the initiative in organising a thank you event for your Patrol Officers to acknowledge the work they do. This can be a dinner, or even just asking if there is something you can do to help ease their workload.



INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTEER MANAGERS DAY

If you're at a crowded place that's attacked remember: **ESCAPE. HIDE. TELL.**

All situations are different. You will need to make quick decisions during an attack and be prepared to change your plan. Remembering **ESCAPE. HIDE. TELL.** will help you decide what to do.



Move quickly and quietly away from danger, but only if it is safe to do so.

Stay out of sight and silence your mobile phone.

Call the Police by dialling 111 when it is safe.

## The National Shake Out is only 2 weeks away!

This is a great opportunity for your Patrol to work with local Police and NEMA to create a local response plan that can be implemented immediately in the event of a large earthquake. We encourage you to bring this up at your next Patrol meeting for discussion.

On a personal note, Shake Out is not just about dropping and holding at 9:30am, it is about being prepared! We encourage everyone to take this opportunity to ensure that your Go Bags are stocked with plenty of food, water and warm clothes incase you need to leave your home or workplace quickly in an emergency.

**GET READY TO Shake Out**

**OCTOBER 15<sup>TH</sup> 9.30AM**

NATIONAL EARTHQUAKE DRILL AND TSUNAMI HĪKOI

## FAREWELL AND THANK YOU GRAEME...

After twelve years, Graeme is retiring from his volunteer role of Safer Plates Coordinator. Graeme has been kind enough to share the history of the Safer Plates project with us.....

*The first number plate screw system started with the Mount Maunganui group holding the first event in 2008. The project was instigated by a Police member and Tauranga South (TSCP) through their Chairman Keith Carter. The first screw day was held in 2009 and raised nearly \$1500. The screws were purchased through a local supplier for 0.60c each however, one of the TSCP members had contacts in Asia and we were able to purchase the same screw type in bulk at a much lower price (around 0.20c ea.) but we had to order in bulk so we purchased our first shipment of 100,000 screws. In 2009 we were invited to make a presentation on this fundraising venture to the Whanganui NTS and to encourage other patrols to take this up as a fundraising idea.*

*I was BoP District Representative at this time and through the (now defunct) National Council learned that CPNZ was planning on promoting their own scheme and intended to import a different screw.*

*It was at that time that CPNZ agreed to purchase the bulk stock of screws from TSCP and run the screw program nationally and this was then done through the CPNZ National Office but using myself as the point of contact and for Keith Carter to continue with the distribution. Since those early years, CPNZ have provided screws at no cost to groups wishing to hold screw events and this has been very successful over the years. It must be stressed that the number plate screws used are not a completely full-proof system but it does deter people trying to remove number plates. Police intel indicates that most undesirable people intent on removing plates carry a cross blade screwdriver and if the screw is different they just move to the next vehicle. Why remove plates you may well ask? People with sinister intent remove plates and put them on their own cars then carry out a petrol drive-off without paying. And it is the stolen plate that shows up on the service station CCTV.*

*The time has come for me to move on from being the point of contact for ordering screws.*

**CPNZ wants to thank Graeme for the work he has done over the last twelve years and wish him the very best for all his future endeavors!**

## ...AND WELCOME DANI!

Danica (Dani) Bright of Tauranga South CP has very kindly agreed to take on Graeme's role. Please join us in welcoming Dani who will be contactable via [saferplates@cpnz.org.nz](mailto:saferplates@cpnz.org.nz)

A little bit about Dani:

*"My day job is Commercial Business Manager for NZ Post Group for the Bay of Plenty, I transferred from Nelson 3 years ago with my wife to be closer to our family after spending 20 years in the South Island. Putting roots down in Tauranga, I felt the need to develop a stronger sense of community and participate in something meaningful that helps people. While exploring a career change to the Police Force I came across CPNZ and signed up, dodgy knee means no career change for me, but I have become attached to the cause of CPNZ & it's members – so I'm here to stay, to do my little bit to help build safer communities."*



# RECOGNISING EXCELLENCE

## THANK YOU HARCOURTS

Des and his wife Judy fundraise for Rangiora CP and do an amazing job. The below photo is of Des receiving a cheque from Harcourt's Trust - Rangiora Harcourts Branch, for funds for uniforms.



In this photo, Euan Grant (Leader Motueka CP) presents Leon Johnston (Harcourts - Motueka/Mapua) with a Certificate of Appreciation. Leon provided generous sponsorship to the patrol which enabled them to upgrade the roof mounted emergency light bar on their patrol car (see pg1).

## HARRY TAWA, GOOD SORTS

Bethlehem Community Patrol co-leader and Trainer, Harry Tawa, was nominated as a TV1 "Good Sort" and appeared on national TV on Sunday 6th September.

Harry drives a school bus mornings and afternoons and also is a volunteer for Bluelight Driver Training being a navigator (tutor) giving the kids tips in driving so they can get their drivers licence. He is such a pleasure to work alongside.

<https://www.tvnz.co.nz/one-news/new-zealand/good-sorts-humble-school-bus-drivers-kindness->



## KIWIWATCH - THANKS TO CPNZ TRUST BOARD

"Kiwivatch CP would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank the CPNZ board assisting with the set up of the patrol car. It was so good having Chris Lawton in attendance for the launch.



The new patrol car and the Livery has made a significant difference within our community. We are now highly visible on patrol, the police units recognise us now where they didn't used to, which allows for a lot more interaction with them and we are better able to assist in areas that we can. All the criminal element mistake us for a police car and we can distinctly see a change in behaviour from them which deters them away from committing crimes. The cars on the road definitely change their driving behaviour and slow down to be much safer on the roads. When we come across a group of disorderly people and our car is spotted (always from a safe distance), our presence now creates a situation where they disperse very quickly. Another definite advantage is when we have been asked to assist with traffic diversions, our presence is highly visible so our effectiveness is greatly heightened, which is a real safety factor for the incident, as well as our patrollers, this definitely can not be understated."

Written by Warren Eddington, Trust Chair for Kiwivatch Community Patrol

# LOOKING BACK AT SEPTEMBER

## MOTUEKA CP'S 1ST RESPONSE TRAINING



Members of the Motueka Community Patrol received 'first response' First Aid training with Danny and Debbie from the Motueka Regional Ambulance. This practical session compliments the formal training which is

required of all operational members. The Motueka Community Patrol can often be the first on the scene of an accident or a medical event and need to be able to administer first response first aid before emergency services arrive. The Patrol gives their thanks to Danny and Debbie at MedCare Motueka.



## PAPAKURA BBQ

For two years, Papakura CP has been working hard to raise the funds for their very own BBQ trailer for their own use and the use of other local Patrols. On the 15th of September their dream was finally realised when they picked up the trailer from the signwriter. It looks fantastic!



# Some Tips & Tricks

## -Understanding Risk Assessment

As you will have seen in the Patrolling Policy, there is reference to TENR Risk Assessment. TENR is the Police threat assessment methodology. It is a decision making process that supports the timely and accurate assessment of information directly relevant to the safety of Police and others. The overriding principle when applying TENR is that of 'safety is success'. Every effort must be made to minimise harm and maximise safety.

We assess risk based on the likelihood of a consequence and the severity of that consequence if it were to occur. We then assess how we could mitigate the risk by lowering that likelihood of occurrence and/or minimising the severity of that consequence. Eg wearing high vis, using road cones, holding a traffic wand and using your vehicle's Amber Beacon at a road incident, significantly lowers the likelihood of a vehicle causing you injury to 'Unlikely'. However there is little you can do to lower the severity of injury in the 'Unlikely' event of a car hitting you, therefore the risk is 'Moderate'.

If the risk is still 'High' after mitigation, we have to ask ourselves, is it an absolutely necessary risk?

		Impact →				
		Negligible	Minor	Moderate	Significant	Severe
Likelihood ↑	Very Likely	Low	Moderate	High	High	High
	Likely	Low	Moderate	Moderate	High	High
	Possible	Low	Low	Moderate	Moderate	High
	Unlikely	Low	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
	Very Unlikely	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Moderate

You can apply basic TENR principles when responding to an emergency situation and when calling for Police assistance:

**THREAT** - Is there anything or anyone who is likely to cause harm or have the potential to hinder you or emergency responders from performing their duties.

**EXPOSURE** - Potential harm to people or the security of a place or item.

**NECESSITY** - Determine if there is a need for intervention now, later or not at all.

**RESPONSE** - Is proportionate and based on a considered risk assessment of threat, exposure and necessity.