

Volunteer Newsletter

Tully, Cardwell, Mission Beach

May 2017

Mary Bacic's 10 years Red Cross Service to the Tully Branch was celebrated in March, with a morning tea with CCRC Councillors and other branch members.

Photographed from left to right; May Perger, Mary Bacic, Sue Pollard, and Jean Vallianos.

The local branch have been busy recently with a very successful Cent Sale raising money for the Cyclone Debbie Disaster recovery and a Mother's Day high tea.



Community Grants Information

Internet search: "The Grants Hub" – offer a 14 day free subscription.
<http://www.thegrantshub.com.au/grants-directory/>

Qld. Gambling Community Benefit Fund Grant:
<http://www.justice.qld.gov.au/corporate/sponsorships-and-grants/grants/community-benefit-funding-programs>

The Gambling Community Benefit Fund (GCBF) round 93 is now open and will close on **31 May 2017**.

RED CROSS CALLING

this March

Jean Vallianos is the driving force behind this annual national fundraiser in the southern part of the Cassowary Coast. Over \$4000 has been raised so far by volunteers in this region with the door knock appeal. Funds raised through Red Cross Calling help the organisation continue to be there, supporting vulnerable people in our local communities and further afield. As well as raising vital funds, Red Cross Calling facilitates an important connection with the branches, members, and supporters, by supporting them to fundraise and run donation drives in their local communities.

Thanks go to all the volunteers who helped achieve this total and it was great to see some youths getting involved.



Daniel, Tom, Ethan & Caleb doorknocking in their local area for Red Cross Calling in March.

Celebrating our local volunteers.....

National Volunteer Week is organised by Volunteering Australia. It's an annual celebration to acknowledge the generous contribution of our nation's volunteers. For the local Red Cross Community Engagement team it was a great opportunity to:

- Thank our volunteers for their time and effort
- Raise awareness of the contribution all volunteers make to society more broadly and encourage people to consider volunteering with us or in their local community.

We held a morning tea at the Tully Library to coincide with the One Million Stars weaving project display. Javier Suarez from the Red Cross Regional office in Cairns came down to talk to the community about volunteering, highlighting the benefits to them and their community.

There were many other volunteer appreciation events going on in the region this week. Pop into the Tully Library before 16th May to see the Stars display. All stars need to be to the Red Cross office, 17 Bryant Street by the end of May as they need to be sent to the Gold Coast....total to date 6,400 and we are still counting!



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