

AUSTRALIAN POLICE MEDAL (APM)

Federal

Assistant Commissioner Rudi William LAMMERS,

Assistant Commissioner Lammers as served the Australian Federal Police (AFP) with distinction, particularly in the areas of ACT Operations, Federal Operations, International Police Operations and community policing. Assistant Commissioner Lammers began his policing career when he was appointed to the AFP in 1982. He spent the next 18 years serving within areas such as the Special Crime Branch, Anti Theft Task Force, Burglary Task Force and Project Morant. He was promoted to Detective Superintendent in 2000 and since then has led a diverse range of areas within the AFP. During 2008, he was the National Manager Human Resource Management responsible for People Strategies, Learning and Development (including the AFP College Barton), Medical Services, Wellbeing Services, and the Australian Institute of Police Management. He also served as National Manager Border, responsible for overseeing the investigation of major drug importation and trafficking, people-smuggling activity, sexual servitude, and child sex tourism offences. Additional roles include Manager International Network being responsible for the activities of 88 liaison officers at 33 posts in 27 countries, Deputy Manager Sydney Office overseeing major criminal Commonwealth investigations and operations, and Manager Technical Operations. Assistant Commissioner Lammers is currently the AFP's Chief Information Officer responsible for infrastructure, ICT applications, Business Engagements, and the development and technology solutions to support police investigations. Throughout his distinguished career, Assistant Commissioner Lammers has been recognised not only by the AFP but also by external stakeholders and the public for his professional competence and standards.

Awards/recognition include:

Commissioners' Commendation for Conspicuous Conduct, 2004, for ensuring secure communications were established between the Operation Alliance Forward Command Post in Bali and Australia after the 2002 bombing; also coordinated the deployment of police technical assets to provide technical support to the investigation team in Bali and Jakarta.

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Assistant Commissioner Roman Alexander QUAEDVLIEG,

Assistant Commissioner Quaedvlieg has served the Australian community with distinction, particularly in the areas of Police Operations and Administration. Assistant Commissioner Quaedvlieg's policing career began in 1985 when he joined the Queensland Police Service, serving for 15 years in a range of investigative positions. In 2000, he undertook a development role in the private sector, and then served for 3 years with the Australian Crime Commission (ACC) in an executive role, with responsibility for the transition of the former National Crime Authority to the ACC. Assistant Commissioner Quaedvlieg joined the Australian Federal Police (AFP) in 2006 when he was appointed Manager of Economic Operations, responsible for financial and economic investigations including money laundering, large scale fraud, proceeds of crime recovery, identity crime enforcement and the management of the Oil-for-Food Task Force. In 2007, he was promoted to Assistant Commissioner and assumed responsibility for Border Operations which encompassed the investigation of major drug importation and trafficking, people-smuggling activity, sexual servitude, and child sex tourism offences. He also performed the role of AFP Chief of Staff with responsibility for the governance mechanisms of the AFP, including Ministerial liaison, National Media and Marketing, Legal Services, Professional Standards, Recognition and Ceremonial, and Executive Services. More recently, Assistant Commissioner Quaedvlieg was the National Manager Aviation in charge of the 1,000 strong Unified Policing Model workforce delivering enforcement services at Australia's major airports. He then acted in the role of AFP Deputy Commissioner of Operations before taking up his current role as Chief Police Officer of ACT Policing, the community policing division of the AFP.

New South Wales

Inspector Anne Katherine CLARKE,

Inspector Clarke was attested as a Probationary Constable in the NSW Police Force in 1987 and stationed at Wagga Wagga on General Duties. She later served on General Duties at Grong Grong, Sutherland, St George, and Wollongong. She has also performed duties in the Victim Support Unit and as a Domestic Violence Liaison Officer. In 2000, Inspector Clarke was promoted to Sergeant as a Project Officer in the South Eastern Region where she was later promoted to her current rank in 2002 as the Human Resources Manager. She was posted to her current command in 2008. As the Staff Officer to the Director of Corporate Human Resources, Inspector Clarke is responsible for maintaining the high level of service in the Human Resources field throughout the NSW Police Force. Her distinguished service in policing, especially in the field of Corporate Human Resources, now sees Inspector Clarke at the forefront of the delivery of high level services for personnel in the NSW Police Force.

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Chief Superintendent Stephen John CULLEN,

Chief Superintendent Cullen was attested as a Probationary Constable in the NSW Police Force in 1979 and stationed at No 4 Division on General Duties. He later served on General Duties at North Sydney, Mossman and Northern Beaches. In 2002, he was promoted to the rank of Superintendent as the Commander of Manly Local Area Command, and in 2004 he was transferred to Kings Cross as the Local Area Commander. In 2005, he was promoted to Chief Superintendent and tasked by the Commissioner to create the Public Order and Riot Squad in response to major civil unrest incidents in the Macquarie Fields area. As the Commander of the Public Order and Riot Squad, he is now responsible for the management and safety of large crowds at major events and incidents throughout New South Wales, and often in volatile and potentially dangerous situations. Chief Superintendent Cullen has undertaken advanced training in public order management, command and control, and crowd dynamics, and has worked closely with the Los Angeles, Washington and New York Police Departments, the FBI, London Metropolitan Police and the Police Service of Northern Ireland. He is recognised as an expert on public order matters and has been responsible for the development and implementation of NSW Police Force policies and Standard Operating Procedures in this area.

Detective Superintendent Malcolm Arthur LANYON,

Detective Superintendent Lanyon joined the NSW Police Force as a Probationary Constable in 1987 and was stationed at Balmain on General Duties. He later served on General Duties at Glebe before entering the Criminal Investigation field serving at Glebe, Drug Enforcement Agency, Organised Crime Squad and the Homicide Squad. In 2005, he returned to General Duties at Penrith where he was promoted to Chief Inspector in 2005. He transferred to Mount Druitt in 2007 as Crime Manager and in the following year was promoted to Detective Superintendent as the Commander of the Firearms and Regulated Industries Crime Squad before being appointed to his current position as Commander of the Gangs Squad in State Crime Command. As the Commander of the Gangs Squad, Detective Superintendent Lanyon is responsible for the delivery of high level criminal investigation services relating to serious crimes committed by known gangs in the state of New South Wales.

Sergeant Peter Gerard LONERGAN,

Sergeant Lonergan was attested as a Probationary Constable in the NSW Police Force in 1978 and stationed at No 19 Division on General Duties. He later served on General Duties at No 20 Division, No 12 Division, Rockdale, Kogarah, Revesby, Lakemba, Campbelltown and Macquarie Fields where he was promoted to his current rank in 2004. As a supervisor at Macquarie Fields Local Area Command, Sergeant Lonergan is responsible for the delivery of high quality general duties policing services to a diverse community. He is an exceptional officer who is highly respected for his experience and knowledge by both junior and senior staff. He has made a significant contribution to the training and development of numerous Probationary Constables, Field Training Officers and less experienced supervisors.

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Inspector Nada McDONALD,

Inspector McDonald attested as a Probationary Constable in the NSW Police Force in 1980 and performed General Duties at Bankstown and Bass Hill before entering the field of Internal Investigation in the South West Region. While at Internal Affairs between 2002 and 2007, Inspector McDonald performed intelligence and coordinator duties and Employee Management Consultancy, before transferring to the Operational Information Agency where she was promoted to Inspector in 2007. As the Manager of Court Services, Inspector McDonald is accountable for the high level delivery of inter-agency information and systems for effective policing throughout New South Wales, especially in relation to the efficient management and service of court-related documents.

Awards/recognition include:

Commissioner's Perpetual Performance Award for the Advancement of Women in policing, 2009.

Commissioner's Commendation for Service, in recognition of her commitment, dedication and sacrifice shown during a security operation, 2003.

Superintendent Stuart Geoffrey SMITH,

Superintendent Smith was attested as a Probationary Constable in the NSW Police Force in 1986 and was stationed on General Duties at Wyong, Five Dock and Burwood. As a Detective he has also undertaken Criminal Investigation duties at Wyong, the Drug Enforcement Agency, Campsie and Burwood. In 2004 he was promoted to Superintendent as Commander of Orana Local Area Command. He was later transferred to the position of Commander, Campbelltown Local Area Command before moving to his current position as Operations Manager, South West Metropolitan Region in 2009. He was also the operational commander for the deployment of NSW Police to Victoria to assist with the bushfires in February 2009. As the Operations Manager, Superintendent Smith is responsible for the prevention and investigation of crime throughout the entire South West Metropolitan Region. Superintendent Smith has shown outstanding leadership and commitment to the communities for which he has served. He has developed partnerships with other agencies and community leaders in order to address complex social issues, especially in Dubbo and Campbelltown. He has built relationships and promoted harmony through the establishment of local community events involving members of the community interacting with police.

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Superintendent David Edwin SWILKS,

Superintendent Swilks joined the NSW Police Force as a Cadet in 1972, and was attested as a Probationary Constable in 1974. He has served on General Duties at No 2 Division, No 20 Division, Morisset, Newcastle, Adamstown, Wallsend, Mayfield, Bulahdelah, Bega, Waratah and Lower Hunter. He has also performed Criminal Investigation Duties at Hamilton and Toronto. In 2001, he was promoted to Superintendent as the Commander of Hunter Valley Local Area Command (LAC), and later served as Staff Officer in the Northern Region, and Commander of Waratah LAC. In 2008, he was transferred to Tuggerah Lakes LAC as Commander. As the Local Area Commander at Tuggerah Lakes, he is accountable for the delivery of policing services to a command with an area of considerable size. Superintendent Swilks has also been the longest serving sponsor at Regional Level for the NSW Police Force's Aboriginal Strategic Direction, a role he has performed since 2003.

Awards/recognition include:

Commissioner's Valour Award and the Commendation for Brave Conduct, for disarming and effecting the arrest of a male person in Morisset, 1989.

Commissioner's Commendation for Courage, for courage and devotion to duty when confronting a mentally disturbed person in Toronto, 1981.

Detective Superintendent Deborah WALLACE,

Detective Superintendent Wallace was attested as a Probationary Constable in the NSW Police Force in 1983. After serving on General Duties at Blacktown, she served in the Criminal Investigation field at Penrith, Blacktown, Merrylands Cabramatta, Prospect Special Operations Group, Prospect Anti-Theft Squad, and Internal Affairs. In 2000, she was promoted to the rank of Chief Inspector as a Duty Officer in the Green Valley Local Area Command. She later returned to Criminal Investigations at Cabramatta as the Crime Manager, and then at the South East Asian Crime Squad. In 2005, she was promoted to Detective Superintendent as Commander of the Asian Crime Squad and, in 2008, she transferred to her current command of the Middle Eastern Organised Crime Squad, State Crime Command. Her distinguished service in policing now sees Detective Superintendent Wallace at the forefront of the provision of high level criminal investigation services in the area of Middle Eastern organised crime throughout New South Wales.

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Victoria

Superintendent Peter BULL,

Superintendent Bull has had a diverse and exceptional career, and his dedication, service and commitment to the Victorian community are exemplary. As a senior manager he has displayed a commitment to Victoria Police strategic objectives and considerable entrepreneurial flair, particularly in project managing 2 major organisation change initiatives - the Police Officers' Enterprise Bargaining Agreement in 2001 and the Regional Boundaries Project 2009-2010. Superintendent Bull is a highly motivated and outstanding leader who sets and achieves high goals for himself and his team. He has highly developed managerial and practical skills and sets high standards in personal presentation and bearing. Through his highly professional and consistent approach he has earned the respect of his superiors, peers and colleagues. Superintendent Bull has established strong bonds and partnerships with the community, particularly in the Bendigo area, and is an outstanding senior commissioned officer.

Assistant Commissioner Emmett Mark DUNNE,

Assistant Commissioner Dunne's distinguished career with Victoria Police has been one of solid diligent service to the community of Victoria for over 30 years, and he has made a significant contribution through his involvement in the Operational Safety and Tactics Training Unit. He is also highly regarded for his successful management of the Prosecutions Division which he helped restructure to the benefit of all members, and the Justice Department. His prompt and timely promotion to Inspector, to Superintendent and, finally, to Assistant Commissioner reflects his outstanding work performance and dedication. Assistant Commissioner Dunne has performed executive management duties within 3 police regions in Victoria and is now head of the Ethical Standards Department. Assistant Commissioner Dunne has also a celebrated career as an AFL premiership football player at the highest level. Since 1976 he has continued to be an integral part of the sport as both a senior player and later as a member of the AFL tribunal. He has also undertaken coaching roles of junior teams and participated in senior coach selections for the Richmond Football Club. He has served the community of Victoria with distinction over many years.

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Inspector Douglas John HOCKING,

Inspector Hocking has dedicated much of his 40 years' distinguished career to researching, practising and promoting emergency management, and has been largely responsible for Victoria Police's strategic direction and tactical application of emergency management across Victoria. As Deputy State Emergency Response Coordinator and State Emergency Response Coordination Centre Manager, Inspector Hocking is considered to be one of the top members within Victoria Police with extensive emergency management expertise. He is regularly called upon for advice in emergency management matters by Victoria Police management, staff and the wider emergency management community. During the Victorian bushfires in February 2009, he was involved in coordinating the multi-agency response and assisted Police Command with resource acquisition and managing personnel from the Australian Federal Police, NSW Police and South Australian Police. Inspector Hocking's involvement in emergency management has been ongoing within Victoria's Command, Control and Coordinating arrangement and through this role he is assisting in reshaping Victoria's Emergency Management direction following the February 2009 bushfires. Throughout his career Inspector Hocking has maintained the highest levels of commitment to policing and to the community of Victoria.

Leading Senior Constable John Gerard KISSANE,

Leading Senior Constable Kissane performs his role at an exceptional level, providing a policing service to the communities of Mitta Mitta, Dartmouth and Eskdale. His service is showcased through his leadership, compassion and involvement on various local committees or community projects. His leadership has been tested in times of disaster, particularly during the 2003 north eastern Victorian bushfires when he was responsible for providing policing services under the threat of bushfires, a role at which he excelled, while also performing his civic role as the Mayor of Towong Shire. His tireless efforts ensured that the local community received an exceptional level of leadership and commitment during a difficult and dangerous time. Leading Senior Constable Kissane has also developed exceptional search and rescue skills, performing rescue operations, often alone in some of the most remote and hostile country. He is known for his compassion for the disadvantaged and continues to provide personal support to locals in the community.

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Detective Superintendent Gerard Joseph RYAN,

Detective Superintendent Ryan has served with Victoria Police for over 40 years. During his distinguished career he has led a number of high profile criminal investigations involving serious and organised crime, counter terrorism and corruption. He has made a significant contribution to developing the Victoria Police Crime Department and to leading change through the implementation of the Major Crime Management Model and establishing the Armed Crime Task Force. Detective Superintendent Ryan is well respected as a mentor and role model within Victoria Police. Throughout, he has had an unwavering commitment to supporting and developing police employees and providing encouragement to help them reach their potential. He has also worked unselfishly and tirelessly to lend his support and leadership skills to numerous community and charitable causes to raise more than one million dollars for charity. He has devoted many years in working to improve the lives of disadvantaged young people as well as those with an intellectual disability or mental illnesses. He has served Victoria Police and the community with distinction over many years.

Inspector Michael Graham TALBOT,

Inspector Talbot has led an exemplary career serving the Victorian community as a dedicated member of Victoria Police for over 30 years. His outstanding leadership and professionalism have included some of the highest profile criminal investigations. On taking roles within the Accident Investigation Section (renamed the Major Collision Investigation Unit), he was part of Victoria Police's response capability in attending and investigating fatal or serious collisions, at any time throughout Victoria. His knowledge and experience ensured that these investigations were undertaken in an appropriate and professional manner. Inspector Talbot has often provided assistance and comfort to victims and families of road trauma in tragic and horrific circumstances. The skills and experience gained through his investigations have assisted him in developing road safety initiatives to decrease road collisions and to reduce the level of trauma and death on Victoria's roads. Inspector Talbot has often been the face of Victoria Police media campaigns and television interviews, and he is highly regarded for his ability to speak on behalf of Victoria Police, conveying road safety messages or advising on tragic incidents. He has served the community of Victoria with distinction over many years.

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Queensland

Sergeant Cheryl Frances BODLEY,

Sergeant Bodley is a highly professional and dedicated member of the Queensland Police Service who has dedicated herself to community policing, general duties policing and training recruits at the Police Academy. She is highly respected as an operational police officer serving in the Ipswich Police District where she established her reputation at Karana Downs Police Station as an exceptional patrol officer. Sergeant Bodley was involved as a first response officer at all manner of crimes and disturbances, but was renowned for her ability to resolve complex social issues at family disputes. Because of her outstanding policing skills, she was chosen to work at a Police 'Shop Front' at the Brassall Shopping Centre in Ipswich. In that position she developed a reputation among commercial operators and members of the public as a hard working highly professional Police Officer, and was noted for implementing strategies that improved access for the community to policing services and forging stronger bonds between members of the public and the police. In her current position as a Police Facilitator for recruits at the Police Academy, she has been responsible for training and educating a large number of future police officers. At the Academy she is highly respected as an educator and she represents the epitome of a professional role model and mentor for recruits in training.

Sergeant Geoffrey William BODLEY,

Details not available at the request of Sergeant Bodley.

Inspector Graham Leslie COLEMAN,

Inspector Coleman has consistently demonstrated outstanding dedication and commitment to regional and remote policing and outstanding leadership and operational policing practice, culminating in his appointment as District Officer in command of the Gladstone Police District. He is well known for his excellent communication skills and dedication to his staff. His commitment and expertise have contributed to his effectiveness in key positions in numerous operational policing locations. Inspector Coleman has served at various communities including Cairns, Kowanyama, Thursday Island, Yarrabah, Aurukun, Mossman and Rockhampton. He is a valued member of the senior management team in Central Region and has used his outstanding skills, knowledge and leadership in relieving appointments as the Superintendent, District Officer, in Rockhampton and Mackay. Inspector Coleman has served the Queensland Police Service and the Queensland community with distinction.

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Superintendent Garth Stuart PITMAN,

Superintendent Pitman has demonstrated outstanding dedication and commitment during his career with the Queensland Police Service. Throughout, he has maintained a commitment to his own professional development undertaking a breadth of university studies. He is recognised for his excellence in the education of staff, commitment to organisational improvement and the fostering of innovation in policing practices. Superintendent Pitman has served with distinction in a range of policing appointments with a significant portion of his career being devoted to the education and development of junior Police Officers, equipping them with the knowledge and skills to effectively carry out their policing duties within the community. He is also acknowledged as an innovator and leader in facilitating the implementation of the Queensland Police Records and Information Management Exchange system which is one of the most significant information technology changes to have been implemented in the Queensland Police Service. Superintendent Pitman's outstanding leadership abilities, professionalism and integrity are qualities that reflect the high standards that are expected of a member of the Queensland Police Service.

Superintendent Patrick John RYAN,

For over 40 years Superintendent Ryan has demonstrated a highly professional and productive commitment to general duties policing, particularly in rural areas of Queensland. His operational and communication skills were honed when policing remote and country areas such as Bolton, Mungindi, Goomeri, Murgon and Mount Isa. In many of the areas he served, he built significant partnerships with the broader community through his involvement in sporting clubs and coaching. His capacity as a competent investigator has often been recognised by his superiors. Superintendent Ryan was appointed as Maryborough District Officer and later to his current position as Redcliffe District Officer. His outstanding operational leadership and focus have contributed greatly to a significant decline in reported crime in Redcliffe District, coupled with clear up rates above the state average across most crime classes. Superintendent Ryan has served with distinction throughout a lengthy career. His professionalism, expertise and leadership in the roles of Officer-in-Charge and District Officer have been exceptional, and he has served the communities of rural Queensland with distinction.

Awards/recognition include:

Commissioner's Commendation, 1989, following the arrest of two offenders.

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Detective Sergeant Graham WALKER,

Detective Sergeant Walker has been a loyal and dedicated police officer within the Queensland Police Service. His professionalism and expertise in the field of investigations, in particular protracted homicide investigations, have enabled him to undertake some of the most high profile investigations undertaken by Queensland Police Service. At an early stage of his distinguished career, Detective Sergeant Walker was identified as a highly dedicated officer with excellent interrogation ability with efficient practices to complete the most protracted of investigations successfully. While working within the investigation field, he volunteered for tasks that provided him with valuable experiences that investigators would not usually encounter. His ability to act with little supervision and his tenacity with investigations saw him achieve significant outcomes under intense public and media scrutiny. Detective Sergeant Walker has performed with distinction and demonstrated outstanding dedication and commitment to duty, particularly in respect of protracted investigations. He has served the Queensland Police Service and the community of Queensland with distinction over many years.

Western Australia

Assistant Commissioner Nicholas Andrew ANTICICH,

Assistant Commissioner Anticich began his distinguished policing career in 1980 with the Australian Federal Police in Canberra and then transferred to Perth. He later became a Detective in the mid 1980s and worked for the National Crime Authority in Sydney and Perth until 1990. He was promoted to Detective Superintendent at the National Crime Authority in 1996 and then oversaw operations, both within the Australian Federal Police and the National Crime Authority until 2004. During that period he was appointed as General Manager at the Perth Office of the Australian Federal Police. In 2004 he was appointed as Director Operations at the Corruption and Crime Commission in Perth, before being appointed to his present position within the Western Australia Police as Assistant Commissioner (Specialist Crime) in 2009. Assistant Commissioner Anticich has contributed much to law enforcement at an operational level over many years and has been involved in a significant number of operations targeting Organised Crime syndicates throughout Australia, as well as South East Asian Organised Crime and Outlaw Motor Cycle Gangs. He has also contributed much to investigating corruption-related issues within policing jurisdictions and at all levels of Government.

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Brevet Senior Sergeant Jane Marie GILLHAM,

Brevet Senior Sergeant Gillham joined the Western Australia Police in 1996 and after graduation: from the Police Academy, undertook general policing duties at the Derby Police Station. In 2003 she worked as an Investigator with the Child Abuse Investigation Unit and was involved in the implementation of the Specialist Child Interview Course and the associated Child Interview Unit as recommended by the Gordon Inquiry. She also developed close working relationships with the Department for Community Development and Princess Margaret Hospital Child Protection Unit. In 2007 Brevet Senior Sergeant Gillham was transferred to the Broome Detective Office where she was involved in a number of serious cases involving child abuse and a prolific sex offender that resulted in the victims giving information about further sex offenders in the Broome area. She also took on a leadership role when working with outside agencies. Brevet Senior Sergeant Gillham assumed her current role of Officer-in-Charge of the Oombulgurri Multi Function Police Facility in 2009 and is the single permanent officer in the community. She has implemented a number of strategies to address alcohol and violence in the region and is appreciated by the community as an officer who is both a compassionate and strong leader who deals with all issues effectively. When she attends meetings or organises them herself, she speaks with authority and is highly respected: by those present. Brevet Senior Sergeant Gillham is highly regarded by the Kimberley District Office for the manner that she goes about her duties. She has undertaken one of the most remote policing environments and has done so with enthusiasm that is evident to those in the community. Her strong background in criminal investigation and child abuse matters has seen her as an effective asset who assists the community in these areas. Brevet Senior Sergeant Gillham is an outstanding role model.

Superintendent Ross Wayne TOMASINI,

Superintendent Tomasini has served the community of Western Australia with distinction since 1978 when he entered the Police Academy as a Constable. He served in both metropolitan and country locations before being promoted to commissioned rank as an Inspector in 1997. Superintendent Tomasini has had significant experience in a range of positions including the Police Media Unit, Traffic Support, and Corporate Research and Development, and for 3.5 years was in charge of the Great Southern District as the District Superintendent. Since December 2008 he has been the District Superintendent at the Mid West-Gascoyne District. He has achieved significant results in the reduction of crime at both of these regional areas and has focused on the community through his commitment to improving the social circumstances of each and every member of the community. He engages the community and key stakeholders on a town-by-town basis and ensures that local police work with their local communities by engagement in local issues. Superintendent Tomasini's contribution to policing and the community has been long and distinguished.

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South Australia

Detective Senior Sergeant Kevin Charles JENKINS,

Details not available at the request of Detective Senior Sergeant Jenkins.

Sergeant Susan Jane LOCK,

Sergeant Lock joined the South Australia Police in 1986 and for the past 20 years has served as a specialist in supporting victims of sexual assault. Her professional expertise, coupled with personal qualities of understanding, warmth and compassion, have equipped her to be able to approach, befriend and support victims who have suffered great indignity, emotional and physical harm. In her current position of Sexual Assault and Child Abuse Coordinator, Sergeant Lock is involved in a number of sexual assault reference groups across South Australia and is in an excellent position to influence and develop informed policy in relation to a broad spectrum of victim-related issues. Recognition of her expertise and empathy in supporting victims has been acknowledged by victims, prosecutors, investigators and community groups and organisations, as well as by her fellow officers within the South Australia Police.

Awards/recognition include:

Recognised by the Women's and Children's Hospital for her untiring efforts in a volunteer capacity supporting child patients with severe mental problems, 2009.

Police Officer of the Year, 1995.

Superintendent Ferdinand Walter PIT,

Superintendent Pit commenced with the South Australia Police in 1976 and has provided outstanding leadership and significant contribution in the Human Resource Service and the Elizabeth Local Service Area. Within the Human Resources Service Superintendent Pit had significant involvement in the implementation of wide-ranging changes relating to Human Resource management arising from a whole-of-organisation review of the South Australia Police aimed at establishing an achievement culture and improvement in service delivery. Superintendent Pit had a key role in drafting significant policies impacting across the workforce that involved protected but successful negotiations with employee associations. Similarly, he had a key role in the management of enterprise bargaining processes and implementation of outcomes. In 2005 Superintendent Pit was appointed Officer-in-Charge of the Elizabeth Local Service Area: a particularly diverse and challenging Service Area. Through his strong leadership, drive and commitment to providing the highest level of service delivery to the local community, Superintendent Pit implemented changes to local structures and established accountability that have led to a significant and positive change in workforce culture. He has also taken a lead role in successfully developing policing and crime reduction strategies by actively working with numerous government agencies, as well as participating in local sporting activities.

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Tasmania

Commander Lauchland Bruce AVERY,

Commander Avery was appointed to Tasmania Police as a Probationary Constable in 1979 and, during his distinguished career, he has served with distinction in various areas of Tasmania. He has consistently performed at a very high level and has had experience in the areas of uniform, criminal investigation, drug law enforcement and country stations. His postings include Launceston, Wynyard, Whitemark, Swansea, Ulverstone, Devonport, Deloraine and Devonport; and he is currently serving as the Commander of the Western District based in Burnie. Commander Avery has been commended on several occasions for his outstanding work, and he has served the community of Tasmania with distinction over many years.

Awards/recognition include:

Commissioner's Medal for Ethical and Diligent Service.

Commander Richard COWLING,

Commander Cowling was sworn in as a Cadet with Tasmania Police in 1980 and initially served in the Launceston Uniform Division. Throughout his distinguished career he has consistently performed at a high level with experience in uniform, criminal investigation, drug law enforcement, technical support and the Special Operations Group. He has served in a variety of locations in Tasmania including Launceston, Hobart, Derby, George Town, Queenstown, Burnie and Bellerive, and was recently appointed as the Commander of the Northern District based in Launceston. As Project Manager for the Police Connectivity and Operational Data Program, Commander Cowling led the introduction of spatial information systems, the Automatic Vehicle Location project, Mobile data, and provided leadership in implementing technological and organisational-based change across Tasmania Police. Commander Cowling has served the community of Tasmania with distinction over many years.

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Northern Territory

Detective Senior Constable Alan Joseph HODGE,

Detective Senior Constable Hodge joined the Northern Territory Police Force in 1980, and has served in a variety of positions including General Duties, Property Office, Taskforce 'Surf', Criminal Investigation Branch, Major Crime and the Fraud Squad. During his time in the Criminal Investigation Branch he has been involved with investigations into armed robbery, stealing with violence, sexual assault, aggravated assault, indecent assault, fraud and criminal deception, and investigations into homicide, extortion and unlawful entry. He is also an active member of the Northern Territory Police Association and is the delegate for the Casuarina region. He volunteers his time to raise funds (through golfing tournaments) for several not-for-profit charities and for the Darwin Symphony Orchestra. Detective Senior Constable Hodge has served the community of the Northern Territory and the Northern Territory Police Force with distinction.

Awards/recognition include:

The Medal of Valour and a Commendation for Brave Conduct.
Volunteer services award, for his fundraising activities.

Detective Sergeant Mark Antony STRINGER,

Detective Sergeant Stringer joined the Northern Territory Police Force in 1986 and, during his distinguished career, has served in a variety of positions including General Duties, Drug Enforcement Unit, Criminal Investigation Branch, Major Crime and the Sexual Crimes Unit, and is currently serving in the Special Operations Section. In 2002 Detective Sergeant Stringer volunteered for service with the United Nations Peacekeeping mission in East Timor where he mentored East Timorese police and helped to develop their investigative skills. Detective Sergeant Stringer has served the community of the Northern Territory and the Northern Territory Police Force with the utmost professionalism and commitment.

Awards/recognition include:

Commissioners' Commendation for his dedication and professionalism throughout his investigation into a murder, leading to a conviction.
In 2001 his dedication and commitment to an investigation earned him a letter of recognition from the Director of Public Prosecutions.