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St John Congratulates Local Company For First Aid Efforts

St John (NSW) thanks Tenix, Albury for their ongoing support of St John first aid training and the company's commitment to the health and safety of its employees.

St John Murray Training Area Secretary, Chris Chant will present XXXNAMEXXXX, XXXXPOSITIONXXXX from Tenix with a certificate of appreciation on Friday 9 September at XXTIMEXX at XXXLOCATIONXXX.

"By demonstrating their ongoing commitment to teaching their staff first aid and creating safer working environments Tenix is setting an example to companies that don't take first aid as seriously as they should," said Mr Chant.

More than 180 people die and 50,000 people are injured at work each year in NSW costing businesses more than \$984 million¹.

"This figure is startling and St John (NSW) is dedicated to reducing these figures dramatically by providing WorkCover compliant OH&S and first aid training to businesses."

"With companies such as Tenix leading by example, St John is capable of reaching more of the community to provide potentially life saving first aid skills," Mr Chant said.

WorkCover has identified labourers, plant/ machine operators, drivers and trades people as the most likely to be injured, disabled or killed on the job with industries such as mining, construction, agriculture, forestry and fishing, transport and storage, and manufacturing accounting for a high number of incidences¹.

The most common types of workplace injuries include back injury, deafness, sprains and strains¹.

In 2004 Tenix trained more than 60 of their staff in first aid courses and this year will expand on this with staff undertaking such courses as Senior First Aid, Advanced First Aid and Advanced Resuscitation.

"In addition to their dedication to first aid training, Tenix's ongoing support demonstrates their commitment to St John," said Mr Chant.

¹ http://www.workcover.nsw.gov.au/NR/rdonlyres/55AEF67F-1332-4FCD-8FFF-DC7A25D503B8/0/stats_bulletin_99_00_520_2.pdf

First in First Aid



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“As a self-funded charity, St John relies on first aid training and kits sales to fund the volunteer efforts of St John first aid volunteer programs, such as first aid training and St John first aid volunteers at public events,” said Mr Chant.

For further information about first aid training, kits or becoming a St John volunteer telephone 1300 360 455 or visit www.stjohnnsw.com.au.

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