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St John on show in Cobar

St. John Ambulance Australia will be conducting street displays in Cobar on Saturday 30 September, Saturday 21 October and Saturday 28 October.

St John Ambulance Australia (NSW) is currently working on starting a new division in Cobar and these street displays aim to give the residents of Cobar an insight into the organisation and what it will do for the local community.

Western Region Superintendent, Geoff Kiehne said, "These displays will give the Cobar community a sense of the extensive services that a St John Division will provide at local community events and also encourage people to become a volunteer."

There are many benefits to becoming a volunteer. Aside from free advanced first aid training, volunteers will be given a St John uniform, receive a nationally recognised training certificate and the opportunity to become involved in a widely recognised, international, not for profit organisation.

The displays will take place outside the Joblink Plus office in Marshall Street and there will be volunteers available to answer any questions.

Joblink Plus is providing major support to the project in the way of a \$5,300 grant for the purchase of essential first aid equipment and protective uniform for our volunteer members. Regional Superintendent Kiehne said, "the support from Joblink Plus is really appreciated and will ensure that our members have the essential equipment to commence their life saving work".

"The commencement of a St John division in Cobar will bring a valuable community service to Cobar and the surrounding districts. The members will be able to provide life saving, pre-hospital care at sporting events, street parades, shows, rodeos and the like", Superintendent Kiehne said.

St John volunteers provided in excess of 350,000 hours of voluntary first aid to the community and treated more than 31,000 casualties over the last year.

To learn first aid or to become a St John volunteer call 1300 360 455.

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