



MEDIA RELEASE

St John Ambulance calls for volunteers in Tamworth

18 May 2009. As winter approaches, St John (NSW) Tamworth Division is encouraging local people to join their active team.

Local volunteers provide first aid in Tamworth and surrounding areas, attending events such as the Tamworth Country Music Festival, Rodeo's, concerts, local Rugby matches and other sporting events.

St John volunteers are highly trained with nationally recognised qualifications. The division meets every Wednesday evening at corner of Fitzroy and Napier Streets, Tamworth at 6:30pm.

Margaret O'Connor, Divisional Superintendent, believes the work of volunteers is essential for St John.

"These dedicated volunteers are the backbone of St John and we encourage more people to join this wonderful cause and give back to the community."

"While some members use St John as a stepping stone to a career in health services many others find it has application in their work as the skills are universal. There is not a time of life when first aid isn't needed at some point" Ms O'Connor said.

There are 12 St John volunteers in Tamworth, providing over 5,000 hours of volunteer service treating approximately 500 casualties annually.

To know more about St John (NSW) or to become a volunteer in Tamworth, please call 0409 307 782 or visit www.stjohnnsw.com.au.

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