

*Improving Road Safety is Simply Good Business*

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Dear Test,

Welcome to the latest newsletter from the National Road Safety Partnership Program (NRSPP). NRSPP is a government-supported, industry-led collaborative network which aims to support Australian businesses and organisations to develop a positive road safety culture and help protect their workers and the public, not only during work hours, but also when staff are 'off-duty'.

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### NRSPP ACHIEVEMENTS

- [Australasian Fleet Management Association Conference 2017](#) NRSPP conducted a workshop on developing a drug and alcohol policy for businesses and a fireside chat on Busy Brain Syndrome with Dr Lucia Keheller.
- Grey Fleet Working Group reviewed final draft Guide to GF Safety Management with the aim to releasing the paper late July.
- Swinburne University Communication Design Honours student Lucy Boehme won this year's [Re-act campaign](#) with her 'Give your liver longer' road safety message.

## NRSP NEWS

### 'Give your liver longer' - a sobering 'morning after' drink drive message for young people



A university design student has come up with an innovative way to deliver a sobering drink drive message to young people as part the 2017 [Re:act](#) project. [Read More....](#)

### 'Wombat Crossings' reduce pedestrian casualties by 63%, says new ARRB study



Wide, flat and elevated pedestrian crossings - wombat crossings - cut road deaths and serious injuries by as much as 63 per cent on urban roads, new research from the Australian Road Research Board has found. [Read More...](#)

### New Analysis: Fatality Rate Four Times Higher in an Older Vehicle



Australia and New Zealand's independent vehicle safety advocate, ANCAP, today unveiled the results of a car-to-car crash test - dramatically demonstrating the improvements made in vehicle safety over the past two decades [Read More...](#)

### TMAA Near Miss App - We all know the important role that reporting and monitoring of Near Misses plays in providing a safer workplace



But, did you know that the TMAA has a Mobile App that allows industry participants to easily report Near Misses and is available for use by your organisation free of charge? [Read More...](#)

### Key parking industry and transport planning discussion papers released by Australia and New Zealand Driverless Vehicle Initiative



To coincide with its red-carpet presence at this year's CeBIT Australia conference, the Australia and New Zealand Driverless Vehicle Initiative (ADVI) has released two key thought-leadership papers on parking and transport planning opportunities from driverless vehicle technology. [Read More...](#)

## Vulnerable Road Users and Truck Safety - Truck drives share your story



Melbourne Metro has a safety vision whilst building Victoria's biggest infrastructure project. [Read More...](#)



## NRSP Turns Three!

How time flies since the launch of the program as part of the 2nd UN Decade of Action on Road Safety. [Read More...](#)

## NSW Road Safety Plan 2021: Community and Stakeholder Engagement - May 2017



A new road safety plan for NSW is being developed this year to ensure effective actions are in place to meet the Road Safety Strategy 2012-2021 targets for reducing deaths and serious injuries on NSW roads. [Read more...](#)

## World-first launch of Home Chargepoint Booking Service in UK will boost electric vehicle uptake



The world's first dedicated and bookable peer-to-peer electric vehicle (EV) charging service, which will enable EV drivers to access the domestic, wall-mounted chargepoints of other EV owners signed-up to the Charge service. [Read more...](#)

## NRSP Welcomes Road Trauma Support Services Victoria and its Shine a Light on Road Safety



NRSP would like to warmly welcome Road Trauma Support Services Victoria (RTSSV) as a Program Partner and looks forward to working with them in the future. [Read more...](#)

## NRSP MONTHLY FOCUS

### Wet Weather Driving

As the weather changes, so too should our driving. Winter rain and fog can pose threats to driving safety and drivers should be more careful when the roads are wet or when they can't see ahead that well. In these conditions, leave at least 3-4 seconds between you and the vehicle in front.

Not only will your brakes not work as well during or after rain as they do when it's dry, but you can also misjudge the distance of other vehicles if you can't see them as well.



Finally, fixed speed limits are designed for driving in good weather, so stay out of the right lane and do less than the limit. Sometimes it isn't worth saving one or two minutes when you are at high risk of being at fault for an accident and injuring yourself or others. For more key facts and statistics on the effects of both rain and fog, visit both [NRSP Quick Fact: Driving When It's Raining](#) and [NRSP Quick Fact: Driving Through Fog](#).



## NRSP RESOURCES



### NRSP Quick Fact: Autonomous Emergency Braking (AEB)

This quick fact outlines what Autonomous Emergency Braking (AEB) is, and how it improves road safety. It highlights some key facts and statistics [Read More...](#)



### NRSP Quick Fact: Avoiding Animal Collisions

This quick fact focuses on the dangers of animal strikes and animal collisions. It focuses on some key facts and statistics, as well as tips for avoiding these collisions. [Read More...](#)



### NRSP Thought Leadership: Missing a trick: Safety of light vehicle drivers takes a 'back seat'

When it comes to driving light vehicles for work, it seems we're 'missing a trick' that could increase safety and productivity at the same time. [Read More...](#)

### Weather and Accidents: Rain & Fog



Rain both directly affects perception (seeing through rain) but also produces visibility changes through its action on headlamps, windshields, the road itself and road markings. Fog obviously produces accidents because a driver cannot see as far ahead. However, foggy conditions also promote accidents because they affect perceptual judgments of speed and distance. [Read More...](#)

### Fog light Education



Unnecessary use of fog lights and illegal modification of headlights is a serious concern in the Mackay region, causing momentary blindness, dazzling of oncoming drivers and is a serious road safety hazard. [Read More...](#)



### It doesn't add up - Weather

We all know that bad weather increases the risk of having a crash. Throwing in a phone call for extra distraction just doesn't add up. . [Read More...](#)

## FEATURED NRSP CASE STUDY

### UnitingCare Queensland (Formerly BlueCare) - Cutting accidents and reducing insurance premiums

Making vehicle and road safety a central focus of fleet management has delivered major savings in insurance premiums and significant reductions in accidents for UnitingCare. An inspired funding model guaranteed management support, and impressive results have helped promote a strong and productive safety culture.



## EVENTS

### VTC2017 Spring



Sydney Australia - 5 June 2017 to 8 June 2017  
The 2017 IEEE 85th Vehicular Technology Conference will be held 4-7 June 2017 at ICC Sydney, the new conference center constructed at Darling Harbor, in Sydney, Australia. [Read more...](#)



### Closing the Technology Loop on Self-Driving Cars: A QUT Transdisciplinary Forum

Brisbane Australia - 23 June 2017  
The prospect of widespread self-driving cars presents an unheralded disruptive challenge for industry, government and society. [Read more...](#)

## Webinar - The leadership practices that support and constrain safe driver behaviour



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To improve driving behaviour, it is necessary to look beyond individuals' compliance with safety procedures and at the influence of leadership practices.

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### LINKS

The following webpages outline each individual state's road rules. Here you will be able to find specific information on your state's laws about headlights and driving at night time.

- [NSW Road Rules](#)
- [Queensland Road Rules](#)
- [Victorian Road Rules](#)
- [Western Australian Road Rules](#)

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