

COMMUNITY BUILDER OF THE WEEK

CELEBRATING THOSE WHO STRENGTHEN OUR COMMUNITY

How do you contribute to your community group, activity, or action?

We recycle 10-cent containers to raise funds for the Royal Flying Doctor Service. We initially did this as members of the Alice Springs RFDS Auxiliary but this volunteer group ceased around two years ago for lack of members. Containers are collected from Lasseter's Casino, Double Tree by Hilton Hotel, caravan parks, clubs and other businesses plus private sources. With help from former RFDS Auxiliary members, we have raised about \$185,000 for the RFDS since 2018.

What significance does your community group, activity, or action hold?

No one knows when they may need the Flying Doctor and it has long been an ethos in remote areas that all should contribute to this important service. Recycling containers for cash reduces the amount of waste going to landfills and helps keep our streets and footpaths cleaner.

Why do you volunteer?

Recycling has provided a worthwhile cause for us in retirement. It helps keep us fit and contributing funds to the Flying Doctor is a worthy cause.

What achievements are you most proud of?

In a small way, we are helping to keep the doctors flying and we are reducing the amount of waste going to landfills. While also, cleaning up the streets a bit.

Anything else you would like to say?

A big shout out to those businesses that allow us to collect their recycling and to our friends and acquaintances who also keep us supplied.

How many years have you called Alice Springs home?

Forty-plus years (40).

What are your favourite sports teams, bands, or movies, and why?

Cricket, tennis and rugby league.



GARY & CHRIS BASTIN

Check out the Royal Flying Doctor Service website for more information and details about healthcare, as well as where the planes are flying today.



Please visit the Alice Springs RFDS Auxiliary Facebook page for further information about the RFDS community.

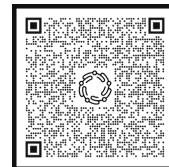


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