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International Volunteer first aid competition winners

Darwin, Northern Territory

Two Darwin Cadets today returned with beaming smiles, from the International Cadet first aid competitions, which were held last week at the Po Leung Kuk Holiday Camp in Hong Kong. The international competitions which are held bi-annually, were attended by representatives from 11 countries including New Zealand, Canada, Hong Kong, England, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Malaysia, South Africa, Wales and Zimbabwe.

Casuarina Cadets Hayley McLaughlin and Lauren Coghill formed part of the winning team, along with South Australian Cadet Nakita Proud and NSW Cadet Grace Ahrens to represent Australia competing in the team first aid event. The girls performed extremely well under intense pressure when they were faced with the following treatment scenario.

The assessment scene was set with 4 patients that had fallen from a tree with cadets required to use their skills and initiative to best treat each patient.

- Patient 1: altered level of Conscious with a laceration to the head
- Patient 2: Fractured hip
- Patient 3: Fractured Ankle
- Patient 4: Abrasions and shock

The girls worked extremely well as a team to come in second place in the team event and overall to NZ, with Canada taking out third place.

St John Chairman Roland Chin stated "On behalf of the Board, I would like to pass on our congratulations to Hayley and Lauren for representing the Territory and for such an excellent result, against such a high calibre of competition".

The competition for the International Shield was won by New Zealand with Australia taking out second and Canada third.

St John Volunteer First Aid Manager, Mark Ferguson stated, "We are extremely proud of the girls achievements and dedication and give special thanks to all the trainers across the NT, SA and NSW".

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