

ROTARY DISTRICT 9830 TASMANIA, AUSTRALIA
MONTANA PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EXCHANGE 2016

TEAM MEMBER PROFILE



Name	Allira BARTUSH
Occupation	Police Officer
Age	31
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	Allira Bartush (Johnson)
Education	Year 12, Marist Regional College, Burnie Graduate, Tasmania Police Academy
Professional Memberships	Tasmanian Police Association Devon Netball Association
Interests	Playing netball, watching most sports, bushwalking, any water based activity, craft activities, reading books, kayaking.
Family	Husband - Evan (aged 27, married in December 2014) Mum and Dad - Carolyn and Noel Johnson One sister – Rachelle (aged 27, who is a dental hygienist)

ABOUT ME

I was born in Southport, Queensland and spent my infant years there. My mother and father were both born and raised on the north-west coast of Tasmania and they returned to Tasmania in time for my schooling. I grew up in Penguin, Tasmania living in a house my grandfather built and raised his family in. My parents remain living in that same house today.

While completing my studies at a local catholic high school I started my working career at a local takeaway store and later in a supermarket. I was a studious student throughout my schooling and my marks reflected that effort. I graduated from grade 12 in 2001 in the same year I successfully applied to Tasmania Police. In 2002, I completed my training and graduated from the Police Academy as a Constable.

I did not play sport as a child. I now play competitive netball, and thoroughly enjoy it. I have made Devonport my home town and have purchased a house. I was married in December 2014, and my husband is also a police officer. I have an 11 year old Labrador retriever, Cassie.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- I was a recruit undertaking training at the Tasmania Police Academy from Mar to Oct 2002.
- I graduated to Devonport (uniform/general duties) where I worked from 2002 until 2004.
- In 2004 I transferred to Queenstown, a town located on our rugged and isolated west coast.
- While stationed at Queenstown I undertook training and extended my skills set with the aim of transferring to an investigative area.
- In 2006 I transferred to the Criminal Investigation Branch in Devonport where I spent 7 ½ years as a hard-working and successful Detective.
- In 2014 I sought a refresh and transferred to Road and Public Order Services, Western District (Ulverstone). This enabled me to broaden my skill base.
- I plan on returning to the investigative field and have taken an active interest in transferring to Drug Investigation Services.
- I have specialist training in interviewing vulnerable witnesses, family violence, youth justice, breath and blood analysis and clandestine laboratory response
- I have pursued promotion and have progressed in rank from Constable to Senior Constable.
- I have successfully acted in the role of Sergeant over several extended periods.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EXCHANGE ASPIRATIONS

- Given that I have spent a significant period in an investigative role, and with plans to continue this in the future, I would be interested in spending time with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)
- A current high profile issue in Tasmania is the debate about legalising cannabis for medicinal purposes. The medical marijuana program exists in Montana and I would be interested in seeing how this is governed and policed.
- Another high profile drug issue for Tasmania is the increased prominence of crystal methamphetamine (the drug known as ice) and the correlation with violence and crime. I would be interested in knowing whether this is/has been an issue for Montana and, if so, how the problem is being tackled.
- Given the change in the national terrorism public alert level from medium to high, I would be very interested in knowing about counter-terrorism strategies and, in particular, the active shooter response
- Given that my current position has a high traffic focus, I would be interested in spending time with the Montana Highway Patrol
- Tasmania has some schools which have a designated police officer. I would be interested in exposure to Montana State University Police and what role this police unit has.
- Exposure to firearms range & validations requirements even if it only as an observer
- Experiencing a high security prison

OTHER

- No special needs