Enjoy the Show Long Weekend

Minister for Transport Gerry McCarthy today encouraged Top End residents to take care on our roads and waterways this long weekend.

“The Darwin Show long weekend is a great chance to head out and visit the show or take a camping or fishing trip but I encourage everyone to take care when travelling,” Mr McCarthy said.

“I am looking forward to the 58th Royal Darwin Show and the opportunity to catch up with Top End residents.

“Free buses will be running to and from the Royal Darwin Show and I encourage people to hop on a bus and avoid the hassle of driving and parking.

“Buses will run on both Friday and Saturday between the Showground Gates and Darwin City, Casuarina and Palmerston with bus stops along the route.”

Timetable information is available at http://www.nt.gov.au/transport/public/freeservices or phone 8924 7666 (Monday to Friday 6.45am – 4.30pm, or Saturday 9am – 1pm).

“Safety on our roads is the responsibility of all road users,” Mr McCarthy said.

“I urge road users to drive to the prevailing road conditions, wear a seatbelt and not to speed.

“Drink driving is unacceptable and every police vehicle is a random breath testing unit.

“If you are planning a fishing or boating trip check your safety equipment, let someone know your trip plan and know the “Rules of the Road” at sea.

“The person in charge of the vessel is responsible for the safety of the passengers and craft.

Mr McCarthy also reminded Territorians to check the latest road conditions at www.roadreport.nt.gov.au or by phoning 1800 246 199.

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