It’s the dry season, which means there’s no shortage of events in the Top End. Check out who’s been out and about this week.

**BEER CAN REGATTA**

Mindil Beach

MORE than 15,000 people turned out for the iconic Darwin Beer Can Regatta at Mindil Beach last weekend.

The annual charity event is run by the Combined Lions Clubs of Darwin and was held in conjunction with the Mindil Markets.

A total of 13 teams constructed boats from drink cans for the regatta, which also included thong throwing and tug of war competitions to keep the big crowd entertained.

The culmination of the Beer Can Regatta was the Battle of Mindil, won by Team Laser.

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**TELSTRA BUSINESS AWARDS**

Darwin Convention Centre

THE 2016 Telstra Business Awards at the Darwin Convention Centre celebrated the achievements and entrepreneurial spirit of the Territory’s best small and medium businesses.

Standing out this year was HPA – Helping People Achieve – in Winnellie, which won the inaugural 2016 Telstra Northern Territory Charity Award and was then crowned the 2016 Telstra Northern Territory Business of the Year.

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