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New constables start training

Police Recruit Squad 74/03 has begun training today, with 34 new police constables signing on for a career in the Northern Territory.

Nineteen of the recruits are from the Territory, with 10 from Queensland, four from South Australia and one from Victoria.

"We’ve again seen a high level of interest from around the country in joining the Northern Territory Police, highlighting the high regard in which our service is held," Police Minister Paul Henderson said.

"I congratulate all recruits as they start their new career, and in particular commend the locals for putting their hand up to serve and protect fellow Territorians."

The recruits, six of whom are women, range in age from 22 to 45. Past careers include tour guides, a lifeguard, a drug counsellor, a gaming pit boss and a lab technician.

They are due to graduate in December.