



MEDIA RELEASE

Junior Rangers Sought Across the NT

Calling all Territory kids who want to be Junior Rangers – your time has come!

If you like handling scaly reptiles, exploring the outdoors or helping the environment, then you can join the Parks and Wildlife Service's (PWS) Junior Ranger program.

Parks and Wildlife ranger David Rochford said applications for boys and girls to become a junior ranger are being called for.

"Children with an interest in the Territory's natural and cultural environment will get a real buzz out of the Junior Ranger program," Mr Rochford said.

"They get to learn about the outdoors of the Territory by visiting parks, handling animals, meeting park rangers and scientists and being involved in nature projects."

Mr Rochford said the junior ranger program had been operating since 1990, with more than 200 children taking part in the program each year.

"The junior ranger program is aimed at both boys and girls, aged between nine and 14-years-old," Mr Rochford said.

"It gives children insight into the work the Parks and Wildlife Service do. They will learn about the Territory's environment and could be inspired to work in an environmental field later in life.

"The activities they take part in vary from animal trapping to spotlight walks and coastal investigations to bushwalking - but the main emphasis is on having fun."

The junior ranger program is free and members receive uniforms and copies of the magazine Junior Ranger Review.

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