

# RAC bstreetsmart

26 & 27 March 2024





## **Event program**

9:15am	Doors to RAC Arena open
10:15am	All schools seated
10:25am	Event commences - Welcome by Rob Pike
10:30am	Morning program: > Re-enactment > Guest Speaker - Rob Pike > Video - Bronnie's Story
11:55am	Lunch break activities  > Teacher Lounge with RAC Education  > Various activities in foyers for students
12:00pm	Lunch break Arena bowl opens - meet the emergency services
12:30pm	Students return to seats
12:40pm	Afternoon program:  > Guest speaker - Dr Sudhakar Rao  > Video - Konnah's Story  > Guest Speaker - Julian Pace, Happiness Co  > RAC close and thank you
1:30pm	Event concludes - schools depart as per transport schedule

Please note: this program is subject to change without notification

### Speaker profiles

### **Guest speakers**



#### **Robert Pike**

At just 17, Robert Pike was involved in a tragic car crash in which he lost three of his friends, and his legs from below the knees.

Now 41, happily married and with two young children, Robert is passionate about speaking to schools to share his story and educate students about the dangers of driving.

Robert hopes that young people will hear his story and be determined to be safe drivers to protect the lives of their friends, families and themselves.



**Dr Sudhakar Rao** Royal Perth Hospital

Dr Rao is a surgeon with special interest in trauma surgery and liver surgery.

Dr Rao was instrumental in establishing a Trauma Service for Western Australia, through working with other organisations such as St John Ambulance and the Royal Flying Doctor Service, and many professional medical and nursing groups.

He has a very strong commitment to injury prevention including road trauma, and is also proud to be the patron of the Road Trauma Support Service which is vital for the wellbeing of all victims of road trauma.

Dr Rao has been the main narrator of RAC bstreetsmart every year since 2012.



**Julian Pace** 

Founder and CEO, Happiness Co

Julian Pace is Australia's emerging voice in happiness, emotional wellbeing and lived-experience mental health. The founder of Happiness Co, he has the goal to positively impact 10 million lives in 10 years. He is an engaging presenter who uses his own story to help others develop an understanding of what it really takes to create fulfilment and happiness.

He has keynoted at three of the largest mental health conferences in the country, he is an Australian of the Year finalist, Mentor of the Year award winner, and a National Small Business Champion.

Julian's biggest passion is helping young people facing mental health challenges and is dedicated to using his own powerful story to inspire others to create and sustain their own happiness.

### **Supporting partners**

We appreciate the ongoing support of our emergency service partners and representatives from each organisation who take on narrator roles.



#### **WA Police Force**

The WA Police Road Policing Command and Major Crash Investigation Section (MCIS) are proud to be closely involved with RAC bstreetsmart. MCIS provides a specialist service investigating fatal and serious injury crashes statewide. Involvement in this event provides a great opportunity for the MCIS team to contribute in a positive way by providing road safety education to students and ultimately working toward reducing road fatalities across Western Australia.





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#### **Department of Fire and Emergency Services**

Operating 24 hours a day, every day of the year, the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) provides emergency services on land, at sea and in the air. They perform a critical role in coordinating emergency services across the State. DFES has developed education programs and resources about fire and natural hazards for school-aged children in Western Australia.



Government of Western Australia East Metropolitan Health Service Royal Perth Hospital



#### **Royal Perth Hospital**

Youth, aged 15-24 years, continue to be the leading age group admitted for major trauma at Royal Perth Hospital. The aim of the RPH P.A.R.T.Y. (Prevent Alcohol and Risk related Trauma in Youth) Program is to promote injury prevention through reality education, enabling youth to recognise risks, make informed choices, and learn about potential traumatic consequences.



#### St John WA

St John WA is a non-profit organisation that has been an integral part of the WA community for more than 125 years. One of their goals is to make first aid a part of everyone's life. The Youth and Community Engagement team contribute to this goal by providing free first aid training and demonstrations to all school children, from kindergarten to secondary school.



#### Road Trauma Support WA

Road trauma can affect anyone and affects everyone differently. From people who have caused a crash to those who have witnessed one. From first responders to bereaved family and friends. The effects of road trauma ripple through our lives and communities in different ways. That's why Road Trauma Support WA offers a broad range of support and recovery programs including information and resources, education and training and a free personalised counselling service.

For more information or to make an appointment: phone: 1300 004 814 (toll free) email: admin@rtswa.org.au web: www.rtswa.org.au

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