

NORTHERN TERRITORY POLICE ASSOCIATION
MEDIA RELEASE
Death of Sergeant Brett Meredith

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The Northern Territory Police Association today extended their sympathy to the family of Sergeant Brett Meredith following his tragic death.

"Brett's death is a tragedy, particularly for his wife Ameerah, their young children, and his immediate family", NTPA President Vince Kelly said today.

"Our thoughts are with them at this difficult time.

"Brett's death has had a profound effect on the entire NT Police family.

"Our thoughts are particularly with our colleagues who he has been working with over the last year in Katherine and those he joined the NT Police with in January 2008.

"Despite our sadness we are confident that Brett's death will be investigated in a thorough, professional and objective manner by our members.

"It is our understanding that the exact circumstances of Brett's death are still under investigation, however, it is clear that he has been the victim of mindless violence.

"Brett's death appears to be the sad low point of continuing violence in licensed premises across the Territory and the nation.

"A moment of violence has stolen a young man from his family in the prime of his life and has changed the lives of his young family forever".

"Association officials have been working closely with police management over the last two days to ease the burden on Brett's family as much as possible.

"We thank Commissioner McRoberts for the personal and professional support he has extended to Brett's family and Katherine members during these difficult days.

"Our Association has received enquiries from many people wishing to make a donation to provide financial support to Brett's young family.

"We are currently working with the Police Credit Union to establish an account to receive such donations. We will advise details on Monday morning, he said.

NTPA President Vince Kelly is available for comment on 0417819342