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JUST THE TICKET FOR TRUCKWEEK

Truck drivers pulled over in Warwick during TruckWeek may be issued with a different kind of ticket, with the Warwick Police giving out free raffle tickets to win one of six jacket and cap prize packs as part of the town's week-long celebration.

Held every two years, TruckWeek is a nationwide celebration of the trucking industry and the people who work in it. TruckWeek 2014 will run next week from 1-7 September.

Organised by the Warwick and District Road Safety Group, the raffle includes prize packs donated by Hastings Deering Truck Centres, Kennedy Trailers, Brown & Hurley, Daimler Benz, Rose City Tyres and GR Buchner & Co. But it's not the only event planned, with daily features in the Warwick Daily News and a truck parade also taking place during the week.

Warwick and District Road Safety Group Chair, Graham Buchner OAM, said TruckWeek was a good opportunity to discuss the services provided by the trucking industry and how road users can share the road safely with heavy vehicles.

"Trucks are a necessity for our community, so we're doing our part to show people how trucks carry Australia," Mr Buchner said.

"We're really proud to have our police and many other important members of our community taking part in our TruckWeek celebrations, including Queensland Minister for Health and local member for Warwick, Lawrence Springborg, who will be riding in our truck parade on Friday.

"It's also great to have the Warwick Daily News on board, with daily safety messages and kid's truck colouring in competitions running during the week.

"I'd like to thank our local operators, suppliers and emergency services, who have gone out of their way to support these events and the industry for TruckWeek."

The Warwick truck parade will start at Wallace St outside Victoria Park at 4pm on Friday 5 September, then travel along Wood St and Palmerin St to finish at Queen's Park.

Southern Downs Regional Council Mayor, Peter Blundell, the Principals of Warwick State High School and Scots College, and the Director of nursing from Warwick Base Hospital will also take part in the parade, riding in a range of vehicles from local operators and emergency services.

Further details about the Warwick events, including a full list of parade participants, can be found at the TruckWeek events listing.

It's not too late to register an event for TruckWeek. For event ideas, resources and a full list of events taking place around the country, visit the TruckWeek website at www.truckweek.com.au.

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