

# Anti-limit crusade gathers speed



**SIGNING UP:** Keep NT Limit Free spokeswoman Danielle Lewis with a petition to return NT highways to an open limit. Picture: JUSTIN SANSON

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A GROUP calling itself Keep NT Limit Free joined the CLP yesterday in attacking the Territory's new highway speed limits.

The organisation issued a joint press release with the Opposition.

A protest rally will be held outside Parliament at 10am today.

Rally spokeswoman Wendy Georgetti said there was no evidence the highway speed limit would cut road deaths. "My experience on the open road since the introduction of speed limits suggests just the opposite," she said.

CLP Leader Jodeen

## Site linked to police camera spray

**THE campaign against the Territory's new road safety laws has the support of a website that links, possibly unknowingly, to the use of an anti-police speed camera device.**

When the *Northern Territory News* called up the site [Nospeedingfine.com](http://Nospeedingfine.com) yesterday, we were redirected to American-based Phantomplate.

However, last night the [Nospeedingfine.com](http://Nospeedingfine.com) site was not responding.

Phantomplate sells Photoblocker, a high-gloss spray that makes registration plates unreadable after being

photographed by police speed cameras. Territory police last night began investigating whether use of the spray was illegal in Australia.

Phantomplate uses photos and testimonials from drivers to promote the use of the spray to thwart police speed cameras.

NT campaigners acknowledge on their leaflets and some T-shirts that they are supported by [Nospeedingfine.com](http://Nospeedingfine.com).

Asked about the backing, Darwin businessman and rally organiser Rob Atkinson said he had never heard of the company.

Carney said there was "enormous" community resentment against the speed limits. "People power can

and does force governments to overturn misguided and unpopular decisions," Ms Carney said.

Labor Health Minister Delia Lawrie accused the CLP of hypocrisy.

The CLP planned to im-

pose a 130km/h in 1996, but backed down in the face of a community backlash.

"The CLP got the political wobbles," Ms Lawrie said. "This Government is showing leadership."

"We want to save lives — and that should be above politics. We must end the carnage on our roads."

"For anyone to say speed doesn't contribute to road deaths is ignorant of the facts."

The CLP said it would repeal the 130km/h if it came to power.

Former CLP chief minister Marshall Perron opposes the speed limits, but said it was doubtful a CLP government would be able to repeal them.