

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

## Majors Creek Rural Fire Brigade celebrates new station opening

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The NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) Lake George District is today celebrating the opening of a new fire station at Majors Creek.

NSW RFS Assistant Commissioner Kelly Browne joined Tim Overall, Mayor Queanbeyan Palerang Regional Council and NSW RFS District staff and Brigade members at an event to mark the station's official opening and thank volunteers for their ongoing service to the community.

"This excellent new station built at a cost of almost \$829,000 is a modern, standalone, fit for purpose building that is greatly welcomed by the volunteers and the communities they serve," Asst. Commissioner Browne said.

"I wish to thank Queanbeyan Palerang Regional Council for contributing \$31,716 towards the final cost and congratulate the Majors Creek Brigade and community for raising just over \$11,000.

"The new station now provides the Brigade with a kitchen, office, meeting/training room, toilets and space for multiple vehicles.

"This new building is greatly welcomed and will not only assist with vehicle housing, but with training and the fighting of fires locally. The old station will be repurposed for use by the community.

Assistant Commissioner Browne added the NSW RFS is committed to providing volunteer firefighters with the equipment, infrastructure and resources they need to carry out the important work of protecting their local communities from fire and a diverse array of incidents.

"I would like to take this time to praise all our volunteers for their ongoing efforts each and every day, particularly when dealing with emergencies here in Lake George District.

"We also thank the families, friends, employers and colleagues of these and all of our volunteers. We know it takes their ongoing support and patience which in turn enables NSW Rural Fire Service volunteers to do what they do to save lives and property."

