

MEDIA RELEASE

Lake George Zone celebrates graduating cadets

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Twelve students from Karabar High School and seven students from Queanbeyan High School have today been congratulated for their successful completion of the NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) Secondary School Cadet Program.

NSW RFS Lake George Zone Manager Inspector Phil Paterson praised students, noting that the program is the ideal way to introduce young people to the important role volunteer fire fighters play within their communities.

"After this one week course, these cadets now have skills that will last a lifetime," Inspector Paterson said.

"Cadets have had the opportunity to examine fire behaviour, be taught essential fire safety techniques and gained an appreciation of the work our emergency services do every day in this State.

"These cadets have had the opportunity to experience of the commitment and camaraderie that comes with volunteering."

Inspector Paterson said this is the second time that the Secondary School Cadet Program had been run in the Queanbeyan area.

"It is fantastic to see such genuine enthusiasm for this program and I would like to thank Principals Andrew Turvey and Jennifer Green for their support," Inspector Paterson said.

"I'd also like to acknowledge the commitment of Lake George Zone volunteers who helped deliver the program to the students.

Inspector Paterson said that members enjoyed working closely with future generations to ensure that they were as prepared as possible for the very real threat of fire.

"The Service is proud to pass on the ideals of community service, dedication and teamwork to the next generation."

