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Macarthur District applauds long serving members

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The NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) Macarthur District today celebrated the achievements of 20 dedicated volunteers from the District with the presentation of six national medals and 14 long service medals to volunteers.

NSW RFS Assistant Commissioner Ben Millington, joined State Member for Camden, Peter Sidgreaves MP, Council staff and other guests to mark the occasion.

Assistant Commissioner Millington said the 20 recipients had together given a total of 381 years of service to the community.

"The members being recognised today with long service medals and /or clasps range from to 15 years of service, with a special mention of Anthony Molloy from Kemps Creek Brigade for his 42 years of service to the NSW RFS.

"Today we also congratulate Andrew Pearson, Michael Markwort, Steve Willis, Stephen Urquhart, Matthew Broadribb and Brian Williamson with national medals for long service above and beyond normal expectations," Assistant Commissioner Millington said.

Assistant Commissioner Millington congratulated each of the Macarthur District volunteers on their dedication, commitment and service to their communities.

"You only have to look at the last season to see how hard our skilled firefighters and support crews work to keep us safe when fires and emergency situations threaten. Now, our volunteers are helping with flood rescues," he said.

He 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 Western Sydney.

"We also thank the family, friends, employers and colleagues of all NSW RFS volunteers. We know it takes their ongoing support and patience to assist and enable our volunteers to do what they do to save lives and property."



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