



NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE

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Orana Team celebrates new cadet firefighters

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Eight participants have today been congratulated by the Orana Team for their successful completion of the NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) Secondary School Cadet Program.

Dubbo MP and Minister for Emergency Services Troy Grant as well as NSW RFS Team Manager Superintendent Lyndon Wieland praised the participants who completed the program, noting it is the ideal way to introduce young people to the important role that volunteer firefighters play within communities.

"Throughout the program, these students have gained skills that will last a lifetime," Mr Grant said.

"Participants have been afforded the opportunity to examine fire behaviour, essential fire safety techniques and gained an appreciation of the work our emergency services do every day in this state.

"The cadet program also offers students the opportunity to build confidence and to experience the camaraderie that comes with volunteering."

Superintendent Wieland paid tribute to the volunteers and staff from the Orana Team who facilitated the course.

"In addition I would particularly like to thank Brian Lesslie who has been one of the driving forces behind this program and is retiring from the cadet program this year," Superintendent Wieland said.

"NSW RFS members thoroughly enjoy working closely with schools and communities to ensure that everyone is as well 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."



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