



NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE



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Booroobanilly brigade celebrates new station and long-serving members

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A new era began for the Booroobanilly Rural Fire Brigade (RFB) when NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) Assistant Commissioner Steve York officially declared their new station open today.

Assistant Commissioner York said the new Booroobanilly Brigade station is the culmination of a number of years of hard work by its members.

"This is the Booroobanilly Brigade's first official station and a testament to how tirelessly the Booroobanilly Brigade volunteers have worked to turn their dream into a reality," Assistant Commissioner York said.

"The Brigade is understandably thrilled that they now have a dedicated space to store their two trucks."

Assistant Commissioner York was also honoured to present Long Service Medals to six NSW RFS volunteers.

"Between them, these six Long Service Medal recipients have amassed an impressive 254 years of service," Assistant Commissioner York said.

"This significant commitment demonstrates that the tradition of volunteering is thriving in this region.

"It is an honour to present these awards and reflect upon the outstanding achievements of these members."

The Booroobanilly RFB has protected the local community from bush fire since it was formed in the 1938.

"Today, members of this Brigade continue to protect their community from bush, grass and house fires as well as motor vehicle accidents," Assistant Commissioner York said.

"These men and women make themselves available to respond to emergencies 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and we should be extremely proud and grateful for their contribution."

"I would also like to take this opportunity to praise all our volunteers for their ongoing efforts each and every day, particularly when dealing with emergencies here in the Mid Murray Zone."