



NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE

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Celebrations for Crookwell High School cadet firefighter graduates

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The NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) Southern Tablelands Zone today congratulated the 15 students who successfully completed the Secondary School Cadet Program at Crookwell High School.

Member for Goulburn Pru Goward and NSW RFS Executive Director Bronwyn Jones PSM praised the participants' commitment to the long running cadet program, which teaches basic firefighting skills and develops confidence, team work, leadership and initiative.

"These cadets have completed a 22 week course which has taught them skills and knowledge that will last a lifetime," Ms Goward said.

"As well as learning about fire behaviour, the students have gained an appreciation of the vital contribution emergency services make to the community and the importance of the work that they carry out every day across the state.

"The program also presented students with the opportunity to experience firsthand the camaraderie and community spirit that comes with volunteering."

Ms Jones thanked Crookwell High School for its continued support of the program, noting that this is the eleventh year that it has been offered at the school.

"It is great to see there is genuine enthusiasm for this important community based program and I would like to thank Crookwell High School principal Vero Joseph and his staff for helping to make this program such a success," Ms Jones said.

"I would also like to thank the four Southern Tablelands Zone staff and volunteers who facilitated the course.

"NSW RFS members work closely with schools and communities to ensure that everyone is as well prepared as possible for the threat of fire and are proud to pass on the ideals of community service, dedication and teamwork to the next generation."