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Beacon Hill Rural Fire Brigade celebrates 70th anniversary

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NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) members today gathered to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the Beacon Hill Rural Fire Brigade (RFB) and honour the long-standing dedication and commitment to protecting the community by its members.

NSW RFS Senior Assistant Commissioner Bruce McDonald AFSM congratulated members past and present for building the Brigade into the community institution it is today.

"Formed back in 1948, this Brigade has a proud history of community service and spirit," Senior Assistant Commissioner McDonald said.

"As a former Beacon Hill Captain, I am familiar with effort this brigade has put in to developing its members and strengthening its relationship with the community.

"Today, the Brigade of 125 members responds to a wide range of emergency incidents ranging from bush and grass fires, structure fires and motor vehicle accidents, to lending a helping hand at community and fundraising events and helping residents prepare for the fire season.

"The hard work and professionalism of NSW RFS members does not go unnoticed and, while they do not ask for praise, we should take this milestone to acknowledge their contribution and commitment."

Senior Assistant Commissioner McDonald said Beacon Hill's 70th anniversary was a great opportunity for the Service and community to say thank you to all volunteer members.

"The Northern Beaches is afforded a world-class level of fire protection due to the experience and dedication of our 18 Rural Fire Brigades and we cannot thank them enough," Senior Assistant Commissioner McDonald said.



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