

## **Stuart Ayres MP**

Minister for Police and Emergency Services Minister for Sport and Recreation Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney

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## LONDONDERRY RFS STATION REFURBISHMENT COMPLETE

A new era has begun for Londonderry Rural Fire Brigade with a new station declared open today along with the handover of five trucks within the local Cumberland zone.

Minister for Police and Emergency Services Stuart Ayres celebrated the opening of the new facility with Rural Fire Service (RFS) Deputy Commissioner Rob Rogers and Liberal candidate for Londonderry Bernard Bratusa.

In addition to the station, five new fire trucks were added to the Cumberland zone covering brigades including Berkshire Park, Schofields and Mulgoa.

"The NSW Government is committed to ensuring the safety of the Londonderry community by providing our firefighters with the best equipment and resources," Mr Ayres said.

"This new station and additional trucks will see Londonderry RFS brought up to modern standards with the ability to continue its work in keeping the community safe."

NSW RFS Deputy Commissioner Rob Rogers congratulated the Cumberland District volunteers, noting the additions would advance local firefighting efforts.

"The NSW RFS is at the cutting edge of bush firefighting due to significant improvements in technology, training, equipment and communications, however the real strength of the Service is its people," Deputy Commissioner Rogers said.

"The hard work and professionalism of volunteers in the Cumberland District doesn't go unnoticed and today is a great opportunity for the broader community to recognise their contribution and say thank-you."

Mr Bratusa said the local station had seen a lot of changes in its' 75 year history.

"The refurbished Londonderry RFS station emphasizes the Baird Government's commitment to Western Sydney and the Rural Fire Service.

"I'm very proud to be involved with a community that supports and appreciates the efforts of the Rural Fire Service, and to those volunteers we say thank you," Mr Bratusa said.

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