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Ellerston Brigade celebrates new station

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A new era began for the Ellerston Rural Fire Brigade when NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) Deputy Commissioner Rob Rogers officially declared their new station open today.

Deputy Commissioner Rogers urged the Ellerston Brigade to celebrate the opening of their new station, which is the culmination of years of hard work by brigade members.

"This station is a testament to how diligently and tirelessly the Ellerston Brigade volunteers have worked to turn their dream of a new station into a reality," Deputy Commissioner Rogers said.

"The Brigade is understandably thrilled that they now have the space to comfortably move around their new station, which features two truck bays along with a number of training rooms and ."

"I'd like to thank the Upper Hunter Shire Council, which generously contributed towards the construction of this important community asset."

Deputy Commissioner Rogers also had the pleasure of presenting three Life Membership Plaques.

"These volunteers have been part of the Service during a period of incredible growth and change and their breadth of experience illustrates this.

"They have demonstrated an exceptional level of commitment to their community over the years and these plaques are just a small token of our appreciation.

"Whilst these volunteers certainly don't expect awards or accolades, all of them are most worthy of our sincere gratitude and thanks," Deputy Commissioner Rogers said.

"These volunteers remain on-hand 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and we should be extremely proud and grateful for their contribution."