## **MEDIA RELEASE**

## Camden West Brigade moves into new station

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

Assistant Commissioner Yorke urged the Camden West 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 Camden West Brigade volunteers have worked to turn their dream of a new station into a reality," Assistant Commissioner Yorke said.

"The Camden West Brigade outgrew their last station. The new Brigade Station was constructed to provide the space needed for training, meetings and storage.

"The Brigade is understandably thrilled that they now have the space to comfortably move around their new station, which features three truck bays, training rooms, amenities and plenty of modern additions such as computerised access and security system along with a water harvesting and storage system.

"I'd also like to thank the Camden Council, which generously provided \$88,000 towards the construction of this important community asset."

Assistant Commissioner Yorke said the Camden West Brigade has protected the local community from bush fire since it was first formed in the early 1960s.

"Today, members of this Brigade continue to protect their community from bush fire as well as a diverse array of incidents including grass and house fires as well as motor vehicle accidents," Assistant Commissioner Yorke.

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

"These volunteers also actively provide community fire education and training sessions whenever possible."