



NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE

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Hornsby/Ku-ring-gai District celebrates volunteer service

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More than 40 members of the NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) Hornsby/Ku-ring-gai District have been recognised for their dedication and achievements at a special ceremony in Cowan last night.

Three National Emergency Medals, 24 National Medals and 24 Long Service Medals were presented to the members at a ceremony at the Hornsby/Ku-ring-gai Fire Control Centre at Cowan, recognising more than 1000 years of combined service.

The National Emergency Medal is awarded to persons who rendered sustained or significant service during nationally significant emergencies in Australia, including the 2019-2020 bush fires.

NSW RFS Assistant Commissioner Kelly Browne, said the District had been instrumental in battling blazes across the state during the 2019-20 fire season, and today was an opportunity to thank them as well as acknowledging the decades of service through the presentation of long service and national medals.

“Members of the Hornsby/Ku-ring-gai District have always answered the call, not only assisting with incidents locally but also to communities in need across the state.

“You only have to look at recent events to see how hard our skilled firefighters and support crews work to keep us safe in not only when faced by fires, but during floods as well,” she said.

Assistant Commissioner Browne congratulated each of the Hornsby/Ku-ring-gai District volunteers on their dedication, commitment and service.

She added the volunteers who are being recognised today for their long service had dedicated a total of 1015 years amongst them.

“The hard work and professionalism of all NSW RFS members does not go unnoticed and while they do not ask for praise, we should take every opportunity to acknowledge their contribution and commitment to their community.

“We also thank the family, friends, employers and colleagues of all NSW RFS volunteers. We know it takes their ongoing support and patience to assist and enable our volunteers to do what they do to save lives and property.”

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