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NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE

Mid North Coast volunteer firefighters honoured

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NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) Region North Manager, Chief Superintendent Brett Condie has praised the ongoing commitment of Mid North Coast volunteer firefighters at an official ceremony held in their honour.

Chief Superintendent Condie presented a total of 36 members with a combination of Long Service Awards and National Medals as well as officially handing over the keys to three new bush fire trucks earlier this morning.

“It is an absolute honour to be able to present these awards and I would personally like to acknowledge the tireless work undertaken by our members on the Mid North Coast.

“All of the members being recognised today are perfect examples of the selfless commitment demonstrated by volunteers right across NSW” said Chief Superintendent Condie.

“The 36 members being honoured today have amassed an incredible 739 years of collective service to the NSW RFS.

“I would particularly like to acknowledge Mr Noel Bultitude of the Woolgoolga Brigade who is today receiving an award for 60 years service to his community.

“Noel has fulfilled many roles, including Brigade Captain, and was instrumental in the building of the current Brigade Station. Noel is an inspiration to members of his Brigade and his local community.

Chief Superintendent Condie also congratulated the Corindi/Red Rock, Mullaway and Valery Brigades on the acquisition of their new bush fire trucks.

“The NSW RFS is committed to providing volunteer firefighters with the equipment they need to carry out their important work.

“These new vehicles are replacing older style models and will allow firefighters to continue to provide a high level of emergency services to their local communities” concluded Chief Superintendent Condie.

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