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NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE

## Karabar High School Rural Fire Service cadets graduate

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Twenty one students from Karabar High School in Queanbeyan have been presented with graduation certificates after successfully completing the NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) Secondary Schools Cadet Program.

NSW RFS Community Safety Manager, Superintendent John Parker congratulated the students, describing them as a credit to their school and the local community.

"These young people have not only learnt valuable lessons about fire safety by completing the program, they have also demonstrated great commitment and team work," Superintendent Parker said.

"This is the second year that Karabar High School has run the Cadet Program and it is pleasing to see that it remains popular with the year nine and ten students, I am sure we will see the program succeed into the future.

Superintendent Parker presented the cadets with their graduation certificates during an official ceremony at Lambert Park.

"I would like to extend a special thanks to the local NSW RFS staff and volunteers who shared their skills and knowledge with these cadets, as well as the principal, teachers and staff from Karabar High School, who helped facilitate the Program."

Superintendent Parker said more than 3,000 students across the state had successfully completed the NSW RFS Secondary Schools Cadet Program since its launch six years ago.

"Through the Secondary School Cadet Program, these 21students have been given an insight into the NSW RFS ideals of community service, dedication and team work, along with the rewards of volunteering.

"The Service is proud to pass on those traditions to the next generation through the Secondary Schools Cadet Program, and I'm pleased to hear many of these graduates intend to build on their new skills by joining their local NSW RFS brigade."

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