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South Taranaki District chief executive Craig Stevenson and mayor Mary Bourke with Western FRC Mitchell Brown.

The first 50

One of the country's smallest territorial authorities makes a big move on sprinklers.

On August 16, the Fire Service's sprinkler campaign noticeably stepped up a gear.

On that day South Taranaki District Council (STDC) announced its plan to give a 50 percent reduction on building consents for new homes with sprinklers.

Existing homes will have a discount on a case-by-case basis.

Water is prominent in the minds of Hawera folk – the town's skyline is dominated by an elegant water tower that can be seen long before any other part of the town – so it's no surprise that water preservation was one of the key drivers in the decision.

STDC chief executive Craig Stevenson says the ability to put in smaller pipes when the reticulated supply needs upgrading in the coming years was an attractive part of the proposition.

Equally important, though was the ability of home sprinklers to save

lives and property from fire – something that local government has to consider under long-term council community plans (LTCCPs).

Western Region commander Mitchell Brown says it was by appealing to the LTCCP that the group at Western was able to make so much headway.

The plan already has a momentum of its own, with Wormald promising to give the first 50 people who take up STDC's offer a free kit with fire extinguishers, fire blankets and smoke alarms.

In a neat piece of irony, the sprinkler launch coincided with the arrival of something that will be needed less often if Hawera becomes

New Zealand's home sprinkler capital – a new fire truck.

The new Type 2 was kitted out in temporary home sprinkler posters for the event.



Sprinklers

With Sprinkler



Sprinklers make the difference

Arapawa region puts home sprinkler theory into practise as an Otaki home goes up in smoke.



On an ordinary looking street in the Kapiti Coast town of Otaki a dilapidated 1920s villa has minutes to live.

A line of green plastic running from the toby in the street to the side of a front room gives a clue to its fate – the house will be sacrificed in the name of fire safety awareness.

On August 2, fire engineer James Firestone, supported by Arapawa risk reduction co-ordinator Paul Glennie, the Paraparaumu and Otaki brigades and others from the region produced

a live sprinkler demonstration which graphically illustrated the benefits of fire suppression in the home.

The house was donated for the sprinkler demo, with the local brigade to also run a live house burn that weekend.

James' scenario involved a cigarette dropping from the arm of a chair into a waste paper basket – similar to the "Speed of Fire" TV commercial.

In one room, a single sprinkler head was poised and ready. In the other, nothing.

Without Sprinkler





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Fire Out
Minimal Damage

In the first room the fire set off the smoke alarm within a few seconds. After burning for two minutes – by which time the chair had also caught fire – the sprinkler kicked in, covering all four walls of the small room.

For a few seconds it looked like the fire was still winning, but within two minutes it was only producing black smoke, and another minute later, nothing at all.

The damage: one chair ruined, one wet smoke alarm unhappily squawking and the walls and windows black with smoke and a bit damp.

To the second room, where things were dramatically different.

James told the gathered crowd of reporters, sprinkler suppliers and

curious locals what was supposed to happen.

“The fire will burn until a window breaks, then a neighbour will notice and call the Fire Service, who will arrive in three minutes.”

In practise, the Paraparaumu brigade remained on site throughout to control it if need be, and just as well.

Within three minutes the fire had broken several windows and was beginning to consume the veranda.

Fire was travelling down the hallway and around the back of the house.

Paraparaumu firefighters intervened to limit the fire to the test room so that the Otaki volunteers would still have a house to practise in.

When the brigade arrived it had the fire out in minutes, but the devastation was obvious.

Damage: the walls, windows and door were charred or broken. The ceiling had been breached and the veranda had lost most of its clear-lite roof.

Fire had spread to about a third of the house (and would have affected more without the stand-by crew’s intervention) and none of the furniture in the room of origin remained intact.

In reality, if no-one had called 111 until the first window broke, this house would not have been standing by the time the last firefighter packed up and left.



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Destroyed

Pictures: Lance Lawson

Who ya gonna call?

A new ad says 'you're right to react' when spotting a possible emergency.

A new advertising campaign is being launched to promote the use of the 111 emergency number for all Fire Service-related emergency calls.

Strategic development director Ian Pickard, who heads the Fire Service communication centres, says firefighters have been concerned for some time about calls made to fire stations that should be made to 111.

Fire Service emergency statistics show four per cent – nearly 3000 calls – have been going to fire stations, instead of 111.



Calls included fires, hazardous chemical incidents and rescues.

The concern is that fire stations are often empty – either because they are volunteer stations or because career firefighters are out on calls or doing work in the community.

Firefighters have reported messages left on station answerphones, or callers saying they had a “small” fire they would like firefighters to check when not too busy, Ian says.

The service also asked the public in its six monthly communications effectiveness monitor about the use of 111.





results are showing that message is not always getting through.”

The service’s response to the issue is a series of three television advertisements showing the consequences of people not calling 111. These include a fire on a beach, a hazardous materials incident and a person trapped in a car after an accident.

“The advertisements have a twofold purpose – they encourage people that they are always right to react and call 111 and they also show the service’s wider role.”

Eighty six per cent of New Zealanders who reported accidental fires in their homes said they attempted to put them out themselves.

Four per cent of New Zealanders did not know to ring 111 in an emergency, 38 per cent said they would deal with small rubbish fires themselves and 41 per cent said if there was a smoke alarm activating they would deal with it themselves.

Ian says the Fire Service message to the public in a fire is get out, stay out and call 111. “Unfortunately these



An information pamphlet is being prepared to support the television advertisements and will be available on the online ordering system.

Ian says if the campaign is successful there will be an increase in 111 calls to the Fire Service, a decrease in 111 calls to fire stations and our statistics should show a better public understanding of using 111.

The advertisements will be launched in September.



Turning professional

How Auckland's fire police went from enthusiastic amateurs to the most action-packed brigade of all.

Auckland Volunteer Fire Police Unit is almost 75 years old, but has only matured as an organisation in the last 15 of those years.

The change is largely thanks to the efforts of its two Queen's Birthday Honours recipients, Ric Carlyon and CFO Jim Smith.

Ric joined after covering a house fire for the then NZBC (forerunner to TVNZ and Radio New Zealand) and deciding "there was a bit more to firefighting than I thought".

He chooses his words carefully when describing the brigade then as "more about enthusiasm than professionalism".

When Jim joined in 1973 it wasn't much different.

"The uniform was less than desirable, with very little reflective gear. There was no one-person safety."

With a change of leadership in 1992, came a change of direction.

Innovation has become one of the things the unit is known for, with Jim's links to Telecom and Ric's to broadcasting giving them an understanding of the cutting edge of communication.

As a result, the unit was the first Fire Service group to page its members to attend incidents and was among the first to introduce a dedicated radio network.

Jim – CFO for the past 10 years – has also moved away from a central base, preferring his members and vehicles to be scattered around the unit's vast area of responsibility, from Pukekohe to the North Shore.

The changes have paid off, he says, in the recognition they have received from other emergency services, the public and most importantly the career firefighters of Auckland.

It has also paid off in recruitment terms, with the team of 60 making the Auckland Fire Police the biggest volunteer brigade in the country.

Ric says the appeal is obvious.

"We're the biggest brigade in the country and the busiest. We get 700 call-outs a year, and because of the work we do, all those 700 calls are real."

No false alarms, a dedicated team with members in virtually every suburb and a canteen truck that carries 600 meals – it's easy to see why everyone loves the fire police.

Pictures: Dean Trembl



El presidente

Picture: John McCombe

The NZPFU's new broom won't be making any sweeping changes.

You can tell the moment you ring NZPFU president Steve Warner's mobile that the top job in the union has shifted south.

The usual ring tone is accompanied by the theme tune for the Canterbury Crusaders, and he is equally unequivocal when asked about his career history.

"I joined in 1972, so that's coming up 35 years – all my time has been in Christchurch."

Steve has also been involved in union negotiations for a while and says he is not bothered by picking up the presidency in the middle of collective agreement negotiations.

"I've been in the negotiating team for the last 14 years...there aren't going to be any great changes in the way the union is run."

That's because Steve says things are going well as they are.

"Compared to how we were in the 1990s things are good. The relationship with the Fire Service is very good.

"We don't win everything, but what union does?"

Like all good negotiators, Steve appreciates hearing from the other side, and says things have been good under Mike Hall, where consultation has been given priority.



His main concern is that firefighters "like all workers in New Zealand" want their wages to keep pace with inflation.

Wanganui Fire Brigade is all heart

Members of the Wanganui Fire Brigade braved the winter cold on May 26 to become even colder, as they took part in the annual Heart Children's Spa fundraiser held in the main street of the town.

Story and pictures by Gwenda Prouse

Iced baths are often used in the treatment of heart disease, to slow the heart rate down, and some bright cookie came up with the idea of

putting people into an icy spa for five minutes at a time as a way of raising not only money, but also awareness.

Last year the brigade filled the spa, but only one team took the plunge.

This year four teams did their bit. I can't say it was fun, but Wanganui Brigade have two dads with children who suffer from heart disease, so this cause is something special to us.

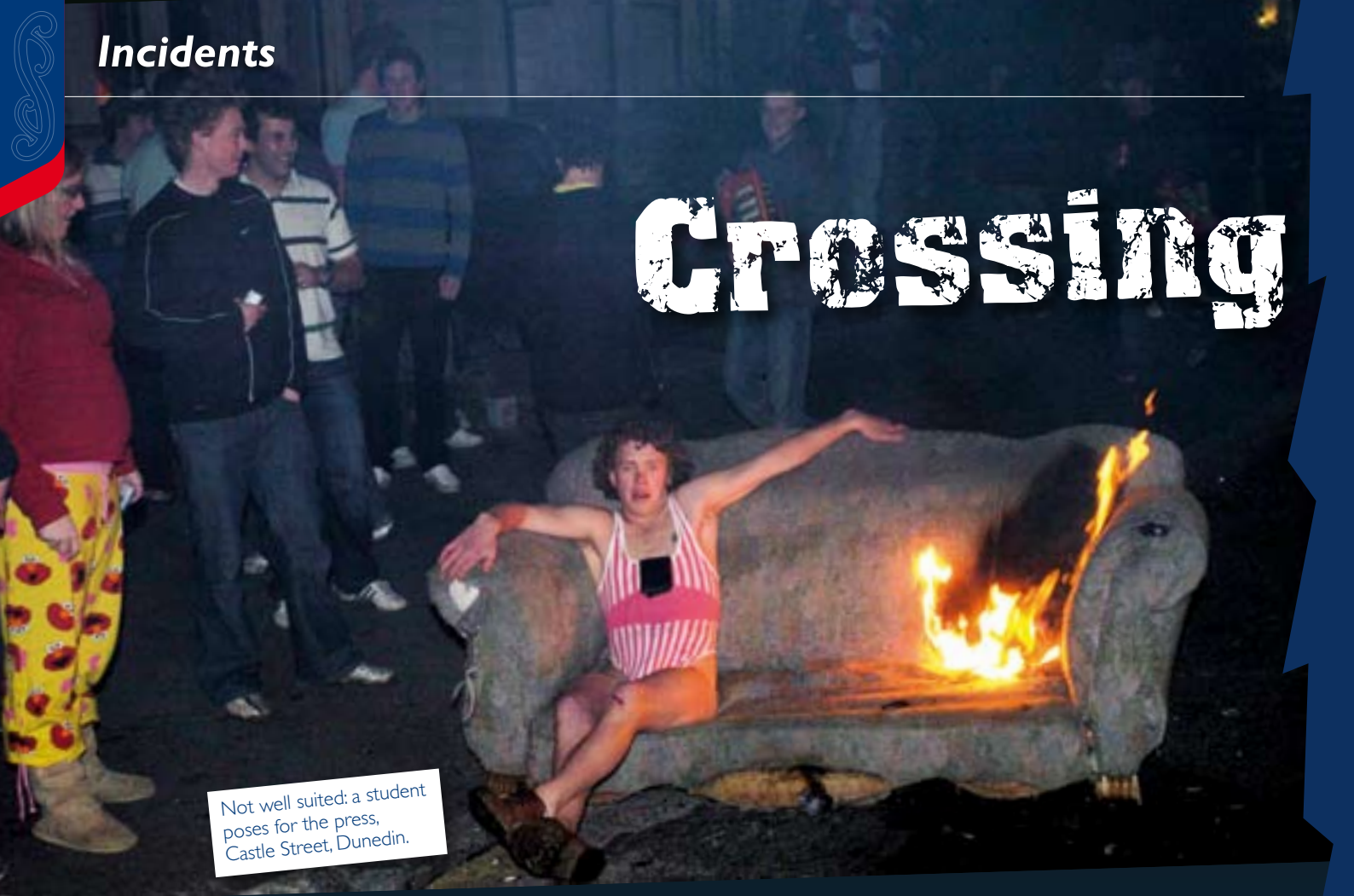


FF Nick Eddy, SFF Peter Nicolle, admin assistant Gwenda Prouse & QFF Wayne Gadsby.



SO Ed Buchan (centre), clearly relishing the bracing dip.

Crossing



Not well suited: a student poses for the press, Castle Street, Dunedin.

A line-up of bottles was the first sign that things have shifted again in the on-going tug of war between firefighters and students in Dunedin's northern suburbs.

The line was designed, say local firefighters, to stop the efficient dousing of yet another illegal bonfire by delaying or disabling the arriving fire truck.

That was in July. A month later the tension ratcheted up again, coinciding with the annual 'Undie 500' car rally/pub crawl from Christchurch to Dunedin.

Over the weekend of August 19 & 20, police in riot gear were needed to disperse crowds as fires, bottle throwing and temperature-defying nudity became the norm in student-dominated Castle Street.

Firefighters and scarfies have been doing the curious dance of the student fires for years, but for some reason things are starting to get a nasty edge to them.

Dunedin DCFO Trevor Tilyard says the trouble on August 19 started

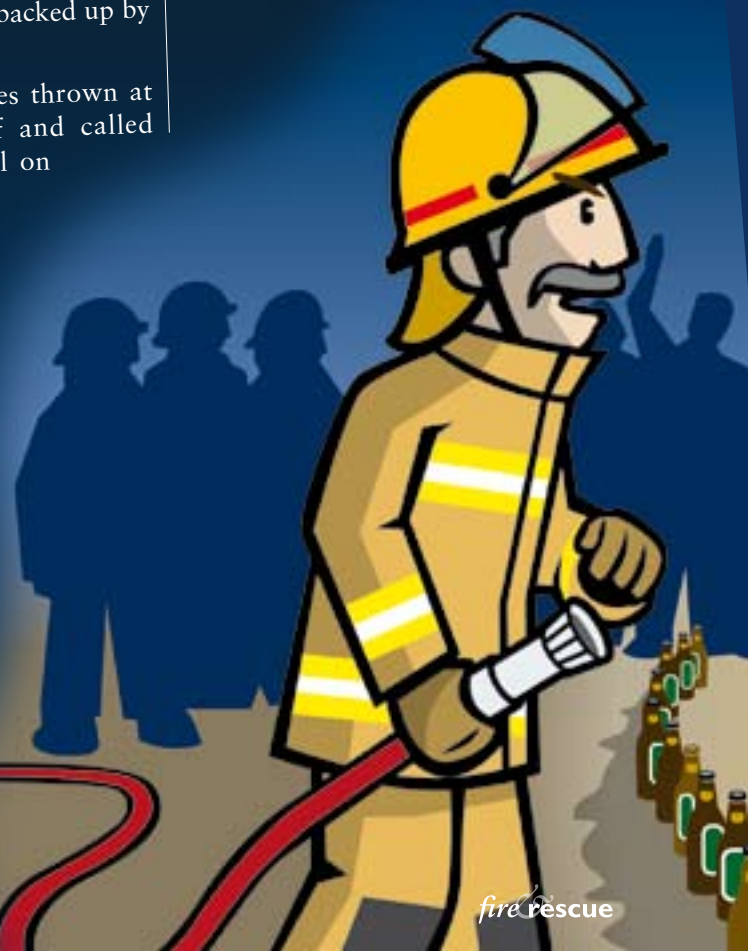
earlier than usual for north- and central-city firefighters, for whom seven out of ten call-outs are now rubbish fires in the student flat area.

"They got called to an incident outside a tavern near the university. Willowbank went first, backed up by a crew from City.

"They had some bottles thrown at them and backed off and called police. Then it was all on for young and old."

Police made 30 arrests while the fire crews, on police instruction,

stayed on hand to deal with the fires that were lit frequently by students determined not to give in to authority.



the line

Things are getting worse for firefighters in 'Scarfie town'.

Worryingly, one was lit in the doorway of a house – an escalation from previous incidents where fires have been limited to streets and backyards.

Help, in the form a proposed Otago University code of conduct, could be on the way as early as next month, but Trevor is not convinced it will make any difference as both the university and the Otago Students' Association seem wary of putting off students.

"There was a telling comment from a Christchurch student in the Otago Daily Times saying we couldn't get away with this because our neighbours would complain.

"There's now a situation where the permanent residents have been bought out or driven out, so there's

nobody leaning over the fence putting the wind up them [the students]."

Dunedin Area Commander Dave Campbell agrees the concentration of students has been a major driver of the behaviour deterioration.

"We've got flats of students all around the city, and of course you never hear about them.

"They [students living outside North Dunedin] do behave and it's because they have that moderating effect you get from [non-student] neighbours."

Conversely, Dave says, the reputation of areas like Castle Street means students who move there feel a need to live up to the hype.

"It's not a problem that will be easily solved. There is no magic bullet.

"We looked at extending the liquor ban to the student area but we shied away [because] we wouldn't have the staff to enforce it, and it makes a mockery of it if you can't back it up."

Increasing staff numbers is not the answer, though.

"We could have had 200 police

there [at the weekend] and wouldn't have made them stop. There's guys doing what they're going to do."

Arrests frequently have little effect because first-time offenders get diversion, and those who don't face very minor charges, Dave says.

Attempts to remove the diversion option were thwarted because it was considered unlawful to discriminate by treating the students differently from other offenders.

However, he reiterated that the police have no intention of giving up on the problem, despite Otago Students' Association president Paul Chong blaming the mayhem on police inflaming the situation by turning out in riot gear.

"When people start throwing bottles at firefighters we can't prevent it's not happening."

In the meantime a working group comprising Fire Service, Police, students and civic leaders is considering options, including limiting 24-hour liquor licences.

And some things have helped, including ensuring more regular rubbish collection to prevent the build-up of 'fuel' in student areas, and fire bans that have moved the bonfires out of backyards.

And at least things haven't got as bad as they did over Easter Tourney 1990, says Trevor Tilyard.

"We're nowhere near going back to that – that was actually quite frightening."

The Otago University vice-chancellor Professor David Skegg said in a statement that the University does not condone behaviour that infringes the rights of other citizens.



There's no rain in Spain to ease the bushfire pain.

Arrest in Spain as death toll mounts

Authorities have made an arrest in the north-west of the country of an arsonist blamed for the deaths of three people, including a 74-year-old man who died apparently trying to beat back a fire.

More than 90 fires, accounting for 5000 hectares of bush, were burning in Galicia province, leading to the army being called out to assist stricken locals.

Local fire department spokesperson Iria Mendez told AP that the fires were started in numerous places, close to populated areas in a calculated attempt to cause harm.

The deaths come after 11 firefighters in Gudalajara were killed when a bushfire rolled right over them in July.

Meanwhile, Portugal put out an SOS to other European countries after a July heat wave ended in scorching bushfires that were beyond the control of local firefighters.

Despite the carnage, bushfire damage was down on previous years, with Spanish authorities saying the damaged area was down from 94,000 hectares in the summer of 2005 to under 36,000 this year.



Pictures: Getty Images

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Duncefield

Workers set fire to a tank that had minutes to live in Napier's port.

The tank had been used to store bitumen, but was being decommissioned when workers using gas cutting equipment set fire to the remnants of bitumen in the tank.

Fortunately, the accident on August 16 didn't turn into a repeat of Buncefield, UK, where firefighters fought massive fuel tank fires for days.

However, Napier firefighters were called on to pour water on near-by gas pipelines and another bitumen tank to prevent them from going up as well.

The fire was tackled with foam.



Pictures: Kerry Marshall

Fon-terror

A cyclist was left badly shaken after narrowly avoiding this Fonterra milk tanker on Horsham Downs Road near Hamilton.

The accident on August 17 left the driver with some cuts and bruises, but nothing more serious.

However, it was a female cyclist nearly hit by the truck who was most affected.



Pictures: SFF Brian Thompson

Taradale vollies getting a head

Firefighters attending an MVA in Taradale could have been forgiven for thinking they had a truly horrific crash on their hands when they found a head on the passenger seats of this Ford Laser.

Fortunately, it belonged to a hairdresser – in the sense that she used it to practise haircuts, not in the sense that it came off her torso.



Pictures: Kerry Marshall

DUMMY RUN

Story and pictures: Otago Daily Times

Meatworker Joel Taniora said he had picked up a couple of tips.

“They said, ‘if we ask you why do you want to be a fireman, don’t say you just want to ride around in a big red truck’,” he said, hardly having raised a sweat running through the physical part of the test.

“I still had a whole minute to spare,” the league player said, after lugging a 90kg dummy, completing a step-exercise with an 18kg weight, and hefting various ladders and hoses around a course.

Mr Taniora (25) said he was seriously considering applying to join, and not just to give his daughters bragging rights at school.

“The public recognises firemen and the role they carry out in society. They are well respected.”

The open day was the first such occasion run by the service and attracted about 450 people to six locations around New Zealand, including about 50 people to the central Dunedin station.

Former Alexandra volunteer firefighter Gemma Hinton (20) said she would be heading to the gym. Although she managed to drag the heavy dummy the required 40m, it was tough, she said.



Aspiring firefighters were given the good oil on how to navigate the Fire Service’s pre-entry tests during open days on July 29 & 30. The Otago Daily Times’ Tom McKinlay took a look at Dunedin’s aspiring firefighters.

Nevertheless, Ms Hinton, who does office work in Dunedin at present, said she was determined to join the professional force. It was just a matter of time.

“It all depends on my fitness really, but hopefully pretty soon,” she said. The fact it remained a largely male domain was not a concern.

“The boys look after you. They are good to you,” she said.



South Island firefighters were hanging around in bars in July.

THE FIRE SAFETY HARD CELL



By NZFBI president Tony Swain

More than 80 brigade members from throughout the South Island attended a field day hosted by the Rolleston Volunteer Fire Brigade at the Paparua Prison.

The theme of the field day was prisons and places of restraint.

Corrections Department staff gave a detailed and comprehensive tour of the various cell blocks within the confines of the prison area.

Although all cell blocks are sprinkler protected the difficulties were highlighted in gaining access for fire suppression activities, the huge layout of the complex with the labyrinth of various wings and the management of detainees to ensure the safety of fire crews.

There was also a display of a specially trained sniffer dog, able to detect drugs and other substances that could be smuggled into the prison.

A tour was also conducted of the Child Youth and Family complex at Rolleston which produced some very interesting statistics.

All in all a very enjoyable day for those just visiting, and the knowledge gained provided an unforgettable experience.



Thanks to the Rolleston Brigade for organising such a successful event and the Corrections Department staff who gave up their time to show us around.

Pictures: John McCombe

It's all about you...

In a shock result, the first ever Fire & Rescue survey has revealed that people like reading about themselves.

Responses to the survey flooded in by mail and website – and a curious combination of the two: people who downloaded the survey page from the on-line edition, then printed it and mailed it in.

The overwhelming majority were positive – in fact even the handful of respondents with a bone to pick still said they read the magazine cover to cover every month – and the majority were content to sign off with a cheery “keep up the good work”, or an encouraging if entirely blank comments section.

“Don’t change a thing” and “It’s good as is” most of you said.

Those who wanted, wanted more, and those who wanted more, wanted more of them.

A whopping 97 percent of respondents said they always read articles about their brigade or region.

Profiles were popular, judging by the requests for more of these, with a few people wanting one from each island every month.

An even more ambitious respondent wanted a profile of every station every month.

Some wanted more equality of coverage, with one person pointing out that in their Southern Region station, Fire & Rescue goes under the moniker “the North Island Book”.

It can’t be that unpopular down south, though, because a Gore doctor who gets the magazine from her son said “it’s popular with the male patients”.

A distinct and articulate majority wanted the magazine to highlight the little guy, to wave the flag for the underdog.

That group wanted more profiles of ordinary brigades who hadn’t necessarily done anything grand that month, but should have their stories told nonetheless.

They wanted rural brigades featured, they wanted admin staff up in lights, they wanted not new fire trucks, but well-used, well-loved workhorses, with a damaged bumper where Steve backed it into a letterbox.

So here’s the deal:

From November you will notice subtle changes to Fire & Rescue. Mostly these will be cosmetic, but on the basis of feedback received in the survey, there will be more profiles of various kinds of Fire Service/Rural fire environments.

I will also undertake to maintain as even a balance between North and South Island, volunteer and career staff, and operational and specialist and support work as possible.

Mostly, though, I’ll just keep putting out the magazine as it’s been coming out for the past two years.

Enjoy,

Iain Butler

Editor

PS: To those people who just wanted more bright red fire trucks, I say... turn the page.



Mitsubishi Canter 4x4 Ultralight



Registration: X18434

Nickname: Fire Police 3

Equipment: Pump, road cones, lighting, gazebo, refreshments

Tank capacity: 500 litres

Hobbies: Carrying the comms support caravan to “awkward” places



Northcom's night mayor

Three members of the Northern Comcen were recognised by Auckland mayor Dick Hubbard for receiving industry training.

The occasion was the inaugural Industry Trainee Graduation ceremony, held at the Auckland Town Hall on June 14.

The ceremony recognised Aucklanders who have achieved national certificates and national diplomas with industry training organisations.

Comcen staff Paulette Ripikoi, Phil Norris and Paul Radden got the mayoral handshake for attaining the National Certificate in Contact Centre Operations (Level 3), while Helen Vanderkley also achieved the mark, but skipped the ceremony.



Gold Stars worth the wait in Taupo

Taupo Fire Brigade honoured four Gold Star recipients at a ceremony at the station in May, 10 years after the last such ceremony.

SO Graeme Trainor, SFF John Black, SFF Kevin Congdon and SFF Bruce Irwin had all notched up 25 years as firefighters.

They're in good company, with the brigade's 18 career staff totalling 420 years service, SO Lou McCauley setting the benchmark with 45 years service.

The evening was rounded off with a special presentation to retired firefighter Jim "the Jug" Rodgers – and a winning All Black test. The perfect night.



Pictures: courtesy of Craig Davis



Gold Star recipients, L-R: Dianne Congdon, SFF Kevin Congdon (26 years), SFF John Black (25 years), Helen Black, Belinda Westerman, SFF Bruce Irwin (27 years), SO Graeme Trainor (25 years), Hharyn Trainor.

QFF Jim Rodgers with wife Jan saying a few words at his farewell after 33 years of service to the NZFS.



CFO Charlie Turei presents SO Lou McCauley with his gold bar after 45 years service.

Presenti-Bull

Story and picture by Colin Leighton

Bulls' long-serving chief calls time.

On June 30, chief fire officer Bruce Symons resigned from the Bulls Volunteer Fire Brigade.

Bruce served 35 years with three brigades, Foxton Beach, Hunterville and finally Bulls where he held the rank of chief for the past 15 years.

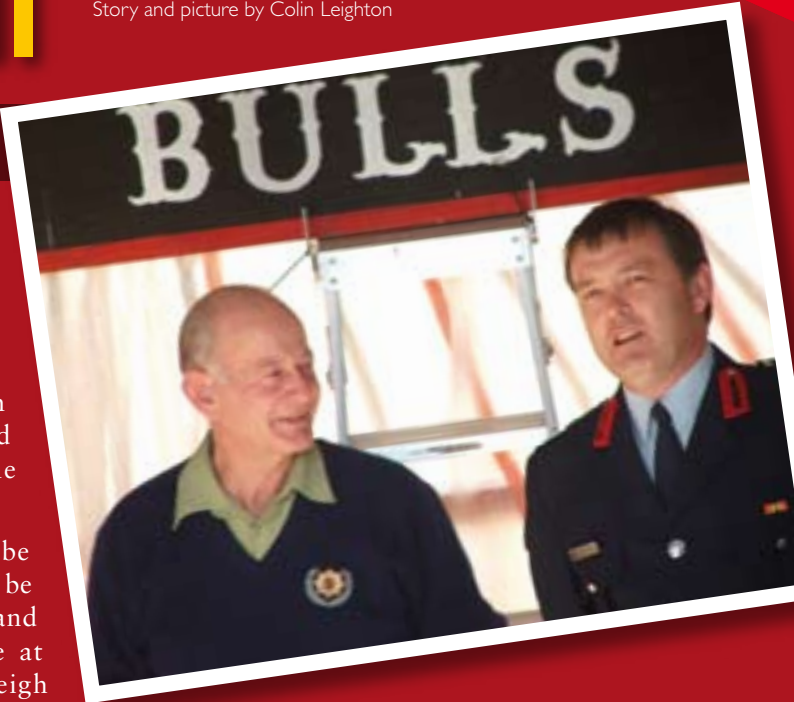
Friends and brigade members gathered at the Bulls station to make a presentation and to celebrate Bruce's service to the three communities.

Several speakers, including Western Fire Region commander Mitchell Brown and Past President UFBA Keith Christiansen, spoke of Bruce's time with the Fire Service and his skill and knowledge as chief.

Incoming chief Brian Carter presented Bruce with a plaque, commemorating his service with the brigade, and a gift from the members.

Bruce will not be idle. He can still be found keeping land transport in line at the Ohakea Weigh Station and has plans to build a new home for Colleen and himself, helping with his son's business and maybe fitting in a bit more golf to bring that handicap down.

We wish Bruce and Colleen all the best for the future and no doubt he will be seen at brigade functions for a long time to come.



A long time at the top

Mossburn farewells its veteran chief.

Mossburn CFO Jim Guyton has retired after 35 years as a firefighter.

Incredibly, 33 of those years were as chief of the Southland volunteer brigade, making Jim among the longest serving chiefs in New Zealand.

The achievement was marked with a presentation of a model fire truck plaque.

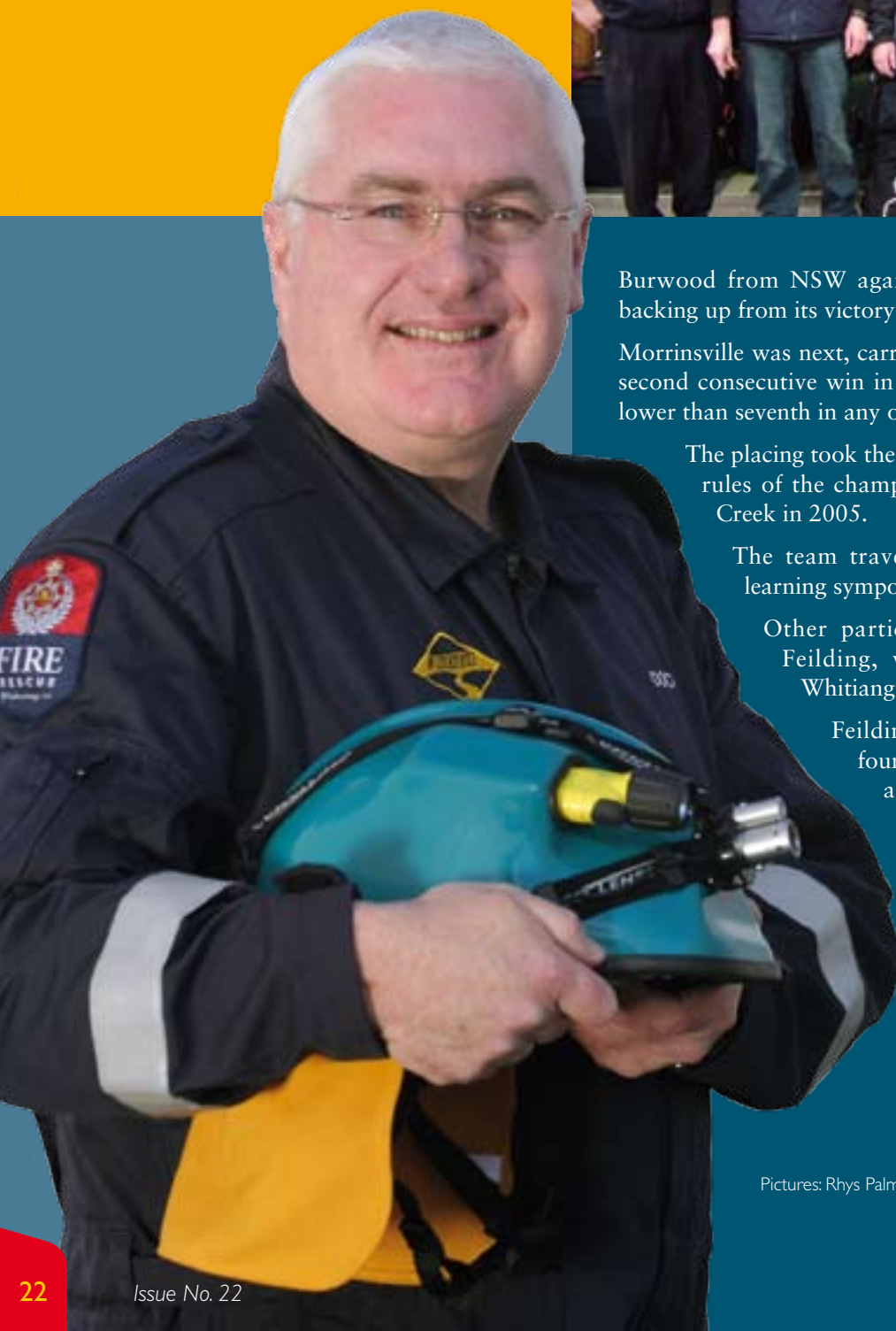
Pictured are (left to right): new Mossburn CFO Stephen Trusler; Jim Guyton; Maureen Guyton and Bev Lapham.



Picture: Rachel Trusler

Backing up

Morrinsville medic Steve Turfrey shone again in an Australasian Road Rescue Championships that confirmed the class of previous years.



Burwood from NSW again triumphed in the Adelaide event, backing up from its victory in Hamilton last October.

Morrinsville was next, carried to the creditable placing by Steve's second consecutive win in the medic category and not finishing lower than seventh in any of the categories.

The placing took the team by surprise, not least because the rules of the championships had changed since Mystery Creek in 2005.

The team travelled to Adelaide "blind", before a learning symposium prior to the main event.

Other participating New Zealand teams were Feilding, who took out fourth overall, and Whitianga (seventh).

Feilding's Glenn Davies was adjudged the fourth-best team leader in the competition, as was his technical team. Whitianga's technical team placed fifth.

Burwood was all class though, blitzing the field with four wins and two seconds over the six categories.

Under competition rules, the crack New South Welshmen will now have to make at least two line-up changes for the 2007 event in Perth.

Pictures: Rhys Palmer and Piako Post

Right on cue

Waipukurau hosted the Fire Service's national snooker tournament in July.

The Central Hawke's Bay town welcomed Fire Service cue-meisters from around the country, with 22 teams entered.

In the dignified and haughty manner of the game, first names were not given to Fire & Rescue for publication, but the winning combination was Messrs Mahuika and Allen, with Messrs Thompson and Doran runners-up.

Minor trophies the plate (for teams ranked between ninth and 16th) and flight (17 to 22) were claimed by the English/Johnston and Hills/Dudley combinations respectively.

Mr Johnston claimed the honour of the best break, pocketing 27 points.

Next year's tournament will also be in the middle of the North Island, being hosted in Hawera, South Taranaki.



Pictures: Kerry Marshall

SPORTS COUNCIL

Event Calendar

2006

National Rugby Tournament

Dunedin • September 15 & 16, 2006
(15-a-side, 10-a-side and Golden Oldies)

Contact: Peter Leckie, 03 489 7999 or
021 137 6616 Email: Peter.Leckie@fire.org.nz

National Ski Championships

Treble Cone, Wanaka
September 18 – 21, 2006

Email: bruce.t.Irvine@fire.org.nz
or visit www.nzfireski.co.nz

Entry forms and contacts for some events are available online at Firenet or fire.org.nz

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The Chris's for a crisis



Story and pictures by Kerry Marshall

So here I am hanging over the back of the pace car as it speeds around the track, trying to take photos of the TQ Sprint cars forming up behind me. The pace car bumps around the track and pulls off onto the grass releasing the field for the start of the race. They fly around the final two corners for the green light but it's not to be. Contact at the back of the field spins three cars to a halt before they have even reached the start/finish line. We race over to make sure everything is all right then form the field up again for another attempt at a start.

I'm riding with the safety crew in the pace car covering the action at the

ZM Meeanee Speedway in Hawke's Bay. In the passenger seat is a St John paramedic and on two jumpseats in the back are Chris Bullard and Chris King from the Taradale Volunteer Fire Brigade. They're here using their skills in an unofficial capacity to provide fire cover and safety. I'm wedged in between the fire extinguishers at the end trying not to bounce out as I see things from a different perspective.

Back on the track two stockcars have an argument over the same piece of track and one hits the wall hard. It rolls and comes to a rest upside down. Red lights around the track stop the racing and we speed over to help. The two Chris's secure the car and since

the driver is complaining of a sore neck an ambulance is bought into the field and a stretcher is used. Once the driver is clear the car is righted, towed into the infield and the race is restarted.

Next race the super saloons come together scattering pieces of car all over the track. Assorted parts are collected from the track and join us in the back lest they get flicked up by a wheel.

These are just a few of the many incidents in an action packed evening. By the end we're hot, dusty and tired. When the next meeting roars into life there'll be more smashes and crashes and once again Chris and Chris will be there to keep everyone safe.

SPORTS COUNCIL

Event Calendar

2006

Indoor Rowing Competition

Dunedin
September 30, 2006
Email: logan.akers@fire.org.nz

National Golf Tournament

Ohakune
October 9 – 15, 2006
Email: Ohakune@fire.org.nz

2006 Australasian Fire Brigades Golf

Adelaide, Australia
Contact Ray Shields,
or 07 347 2252 Email:

Entry forms and contacts for some events are available online at Firenet or fire.org.nz



Picture: Nigel Marple

Papakura's little truck ride on the money

A fire safety initiative with a difference from Papakura green watch is turning heads in unlikely places.

The 'La France' style turntable ladder truck was built by the crew largely in its spare time as a way of grabbing attention at public events, but the fully operational truck has turned into a hit, appearing on national television and winning prizes.

SFF Adrian Brown says while the truck has working ladder, turntable, lights, sirens and pump, it's the detachable front section which has allowed the truck to race in the annual trolley derby at Auckland Domain which led to its fame.

The truck was awarded the 'most creative' prize after just failing to pip rivals with much more money put into their development.

The next test is a police-sponsored blue light trolley derby in its home patch of Papakura.

While Adrian says the crew wants to keep using the truck for school visits, fire safety promotions and public outings it doesn't have the ability to store it on station anymore.

He is reluctantly prepared to let the trolley go to another station or region if they can store it.



Championships

Oct 29 – Nov 3, 2006
07 348 3197
Ray.Shields@fire.org.nz

Taranaki Provincial Golf Tournament

Inglewood
November 5, 2006
Email: Stratford@fire.org.nz

Wellington West Coast Golf Tournament

Foxton
November 12, 2006
Email: Robert.Christie@fire.org.nz

Men's and Women's Softball Tournament

Palmerston North
December 4 – 8, 2006
Email: rjggriff@hotmail.com

To list your sporting event on this space please send details to: warren.dunn@fire.org.nz

Scottie's Corner

NOTE: ALWAYS CHECK YOUR HELMET PRIOR TO DONNING TO AVOID EMBARRASSMENT.



Avoid spam *Keeping the “Nigerian Embassy” at bay.*

Unless you really need Viagra or mortgage refinancing from someone with the suspiciously fake-sounding name of Trinidad Burns, chances are you never pay much attention to it, but spam – unsolicited junk email – is a growing problem and affects everyone who uses email.

Unfortunately for Fire & Rescue, our email address is on the Fire Service website, which means every morning is a gala delight of enticing offers of well-paid jobs and, er, performance-enhancing drugs, but many other users also endure the daily hassle of deleting this unwanted advertising, with its attendant risk of viruses and key-stroke traces.

So, how do you get rid of it?

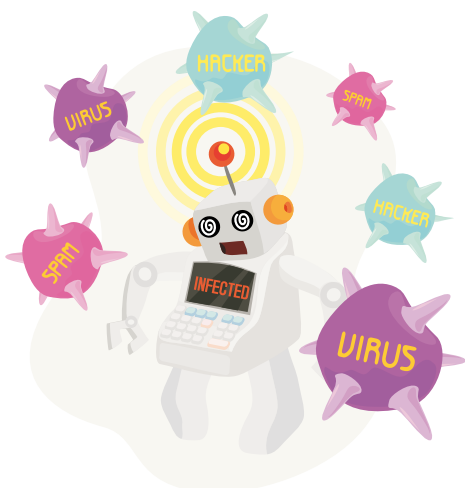
Well, with spammers always pushing new technology to its limits you can't ever completely remove spam, but you can reduce the odds and your risk.

The Fire Service uses MailMarshal to stop the majority of spam emails so if you get a few quarantine messages saying that Nikki_wsr64r@hotmail.com.hk had her email blocked, relax, that's the border control at work.

If you do receive spam, delete it WITHOUT opening (as if you open it often a response is sent back to the sender and you will get even more). Some spam can come with an email address you recognise, but if it looks strange, don't trust it.

NEVER, EVER reply to spam – that's the equivalent of offering a telemarketer your mobile phone number. No matter how frustrated you get by spam, replying will triple your pain.

By making sure your email address is not on any internet website or internet discussion group/bulletin board you also lessen the chance of the “Nigerian Embassy” coming to call.





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By order of the Fire Service Commission

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Notices



Notice No 91: Submissions on the Fire Service Gazette

Recent feedback on the Gazette and the availability of Firenet to all personnel via the portal has led to a review of the Gazette in its existing format.

Comments on the Gazette were that it is frequently outdated and does not serve some of its policy functions in its present monthly format.

Readership of the Gazette was the lowest of any section of Fire & Rescue magazine in the recent survey, reflecting its relevance in that form.

Therefore it is proposed that the following changes be made to the Gazette to better meet the needs of its readers and contributors:

- The Gazette will be published fortnightly, instead of monthly.
- It will be removed from Fire & Rescue and published exclusively on Firenet.
- The existing fortnightly vacancies and appointments publication on Firenet will be merged with the Gazette.
- The Gazette will primarily publish vacancies, appointments, notifications of policy updates and long service and good conduct medal awards and similar material.
- Notices of a general nature will continue to be published monthly in Fire & Rescue in a “notice board” section.

These changes will affect the way some Fire Service personnel access the Gazette.

To make a submission on the proposed changes, please contact Iain Butler (iain.butler@fire.org.nz) at National Headquarters by October 6.

To get a username and password for the portal system, talk to your local regional admin manager.

Notice No 92:

The following is a schedule of personnel who have been awarded the New Zealand Fire Brigades Long Service and Good Conduct Medal and, where appropriate, clasp(s) thereof.

The Commission congratulates all recipients.

Recipients are urged to check that their details (as shown in the attached annex) are correct. NB: only the recipient's **initials** and **surname** will be engraved on the **medal**. Where details are incorrect, advice should be conveyed to the relevant personnel as follows:

Fire Region	Contact	Phone
Northland	Jo Hoani	(09) 438-9199
Auckland	Christine McGinty	(09) 302-5100
Bay-Waikato	Karen White	(07) 571-4972
Eastern	Jean Redman	(06) 835-2114
Western	Gwenda Prouse	(06) 356-5222
Arapawa	Carly Hammond	(04) 470-8000
Transalpine	Rhonda McNicol	(03) 371-3628
Southern	Glenys Mead	(03) 471-8290
National Rural Fire Authority	Vanessa Lang	(04) 496-3600

NB: A self-generating application for the New Zealand Fire Brigades Long Service & Good Conduct Medal/Clasp can be found within the Employee Kiosk. Your previous medal/clasp details and NZFS service is automatically included with space for you to add volunteer or other contributing service.

Long Service and Good Conduct Medal

RANK	FORENAMES	SURNAME	FIRE REGION	BRIGADE
Fire Police	David Bruce	ACKROYD	Arapawa	Hutt Valley Fire Police
Fire Police	Jonathan Paul	BLOODWORTH	Arapawa	Waikanae
Senior Firefighter	Craig James	GOLD	Arapawa	Wellington
Firefighter	Brendon Allan	MALLIA	Arapawa	Waikanae
Deputy Chief Fire Officer	Graeme Noel	MILLER	Arapawa	Collingwood Volunteer
Senior Firefighter	Craig Geoffrey	PRINCE	Arapawa	Hutt Fire District
Senior Firefighter	Ian Barry	READE	Arapawa	Mapua
Senior Officer	Glen	SARCICH	Arapawa	Waikanae
Firefighter	Philip Graham	SOAL	Arapawa	Karori
Chief Fire Officer	Alan John	STANFORD	Arapawa	Havelock
Senior Firefighter	Sarah Jane	SUNDGREN	Arapawa	Waikanae
Senior Firefighter	Gary	TIMMS	Arapawa	Picton Volunteer
Senior Firefighter	Charles Gordon	BILBY	Auckland	Manukau
Senior Firefighter	Paul	BURROWS	Auckland	Mt Roskill
Senior Firefighter	Paul Thomas	CALLAGHAN	Auckland	Henderson
Fire Police	Lisa Joy	GREENWOOD	Auckland	Wellsford
Senior Firefighter	Brendon Craig	IRWIN	Auckland	Ellerslie
Senior Firefighter	Martin	KANE	Auckland	Birkenhead
Station Officer	Peter Michael	LEGG	Auckland	Kawakawa Bay
Senior Station Officer	Jeffery Paul	O'SULLIVAN	Auckland	Kawakawa Bay
Firefighter	Tony John	PAGE	Auckland	Waiheke Vol
Station Officer	Richard Hugh	SECCOMBE	Auckland	Waiatarua
Senior Firefighter	Brett Logan	TRAPSKI	Auckland	Waiuku
Senior Firefighter	Dwayne Michael	ANSLEY	Bay/Waikato	Whakatane VFB
Senior Firefighter	Murray John	BATH	Bay/Waikato	Ngatea VFB
Senior Firefighter	Martin Graeme	MCKINNON	Bay/Waikato	Tokoroa VFB
Senior Firefighter	Alan David	PRINCE	Bay/Waikato	Paeroa VFB
Firefighter	Paul Kenneth	CAMERON	Eastern	Porangahau
Senior Firefighter	Rowan Barclay	HUXFORD	Eastern	Dannevirke
Qualified Firefighter	Thomas Henry	MAAKA	Eastern	Tikitiki
Senior Firefighter	Noho (Jnr)	NUKUNUKU	Eastern	Tikitiki
Firefighter	Graeme William	PAYNE	Eastern	Havelock North
Qualified Firefighter	Aidan	TANGAERE	Eastern	Tikitiki
Fire Force Controller	Anthony John	KENDREW	National Rural Fire Authority	Gisborne Volunteer Rural Fire Force
Senior Firefighter	David John	BLACKLOCK	Northland	Whangarei Paid
Senior Firefighter	Chic Ngati	DAVIS	Northland	Kawakawa
Deputy Chief Fire Officer	Wayne Calvin	MARTIN	Northland	Kawakawa
Station Officer	Craig Charles	ROGERS	Northland	Kaitaia
Senior Firefighter	Jonathon	SIMONS	Northland	Ruakaka
Firefighter	Lindsay Bennett	WALKER	Northland	Waipu
Firefighter	Trevor Brock	CLEARWATER	Southern	Edendale
Firefighter	Philip John	CRAWFORD	Southern	Tiwai Industrial
Senior Firefighter	Brent Shane	CROSS	Southern	Winton
Firefighter	Stuart Wayne	HERBERT	Southern	Tiwai Industrial
Firefighter	Geoffrey Charles	JOHNSTON	Southern	Tiwai Industrial
Fire Officer	David John	LAVERTY	Southern	Winton
Volunteer Support Officer	Joseph Charles	MANIHERA	Southern	Southern Region
Firefighter	Arthur Leslie	MEADOWS	Southern	Otautau
Senior Firefighter	Kevin Stewart	POWELL	Southern	Otematata

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RANK	FORENAMES	SURNAME	FIRE REGION	BRIGADE
Station Officer	Christopher James	SHARMAN	Southern	Clyde
Fire Officer	Ngatere	STRICKLAND	Southern	Tiwai Industrial
Senior Station Officer	Blair Christopher	SYMONS	Southern	Otautau
Firefighter	Brett Robert	TWADDLE	Southern	Oban
Station Officer	Robert Edward	BOYD	Transalpine	Woodend
Qualified Firefighter	Nicholas David	BROWN	Transalpine	Christchurch
Senior Firefighter	Jason Raymond	CAMPBELL	Transalpine	Lyttelton
Senior Firefighter	Michael Jason	COCKBURN	Transalpine	Christchurch
Senior Firefighter	John William	CUNNEEN	Transalpine	Westport
Senior Firefighter	Peter	HUGHAN	Transalpine	Diamond Harbour
Deputy Chief Fire Officer	Jeff	HUTTON	Transalpine	Springfield
Station Officer (Fire Police)	Trevor John	JAMES	Transalpine	Westport
Firefighter	Malcolm Richard	McLENNAN	Transalpine	Waimate
Firefighter	Stewart Ian	ROGERS	Transalpine	Waimate
Station Officer	Brendon Lester	TAEGE	Transalpine	Springfield
Station Officer	Simon Charles	TESSIER	Transalpine	Twizel
Firefighter	Ross Stuart	WALTERS	Transalpine	Westport
Firefighter	Russell Allan	WARWOOD	Transalpine	Twizel
Firefighter	Neil Gene	WOODGATE	Transalpine	Westport
Senior Firefighter	Leonard Karl	ERICKSON	Western	Stratford
Station Officer	Stephen Graham	HOPKINSON	Western	Manaia
Station Officer	Ross Alexander	LOMAS	Western	Tangimoana
Senior Firefighter	Andrew William James	PAY	Western	Ashhurst
Station Officer	Roderick Ian	SIMPSON	Western	Opunake
Senior Firefighter	Matthew Terry	SMITH	Western	Waitara

Long Service and Good Conduct Medal & First Clasp

RANK	FORENAMES	SURNAME	FIRE REGION	BRIGADE
Senior Firefighter	Anthony Gordon	COURSEY	Transalpine	Christchurch Airport Fire
Senior Fire Officer	Ian Paul	FAULKNER	Transalpine	Christchurch Airport Fire
Senior Firefighter	Larry Bruce	HARRISON	Transalpine	Christchurch Airport Fire
Senior Firefighter	Richard Scott	JOHNSON	Transalpine	Christchurch Airport Fire
Fire Officer	Ian Donald	JONES	Transalpine	Christchurch Airport Fire
Senior Firefighter	Norman Douglas	MANNIX	Transalpine	Christchurch Airport Fire
Senior Firefighter	Rex Gordon	ROSS	Transalpine	Christchurch Airport Fire
Senior Firefighter	Terence Francis	SNEE	Transalpine	Christchurch Airport Fire
Station Officer	Philip Julian	HARRIS	Arapawa	Wellington operational

Long Service and Good Conduct Medal, First & Second Clasps

RANK	FORENAMES	SURNAME	FIRE REGION	BRIGADE
Fire Officer	Alan Wayne	PEACOCK	Transalpine	Airport Fire

First Clasp to the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal

RANK	FORENAMES	SURNAME	FIRE REGION	BRIGADE
Senior Firefighter	Graeme Spinley	BARSANTI	Arapawa	Havelock
Station Officer	Vaero	HAGAI	Arapawa	Titahi Bay Volunteer
Station Officer	Stephen James	JONES	Auckland	Auckland

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RANK	FORENAMES	SURNAME	FIRE REGION	BRIGADE
Station Officer	Gavin Bruce	NOYER	Auckland	Warkworth
Station Officer	Shane Lawrence	PRINCE	Auckland	Birkenhead
Chief Fire Officer	Ian John	BLUNT	Bay/Waikato	Omokoroa VFB
Deputy Chief Fire Officer	Bryce George	LOUDEN	Bay/Waikato	Turua VFB
Chief Fire Officer	Christopher Thomas Oliver	NEW	Bay/Waikato	Tairua VFB
Deputy Chief Fire Officer	Andrew Michael	BURT	Eastern	Takapau
Senior Firefighter	Gregory Thomas	FRATER	Eastern	Onga Onga
Station Officer - Fire Police	Allan Tim	HERD	Eastern	Dannevirke
Senior Firefighter	Christopher Rennie	MILNE	Eastern	Havelock North
Station Officer	Bevan John	OLIVER	Eastern	Takapau
Fire Force Controller	Raymond Huti	BARRETT	National Rural Fire Authority	Te Araroa Volunteer Fire Brigade
Qualified Firefighter	Philip James	HEMARA	Northland	Hikurangi
Senior Officer	Richard John William	PERENARA	Northland	Kerikeri
Firefighter	Anthony James	URLICH	Northland	Waipu
Senior Firefighter	Ben	WAAKA	Northland	Ahipara
Firefighter	Richard Ruriti	CLARKE	Southern	Tiwai Industrial
Fire Officer	David Craig	CLOAKE	Southern	Tiwai Industrial
Deputy Chief Fire Officer	James Napier	EASSON	Southern	Tiwai Industrial
Firefighter	Michael Wayne	ECKHOLD	Southern	Tiwai Industrial
Chief Fire Officer	Ross Graham	FERGUSON	Southern	Tiwai Industrial
Deputy Chief Fire Officer	John Alexander	HAIG	Southern	Clyde
Firefighter	Wayne James	HENDERSON	Southern	Tiwai Industrial
Chief Fire Officer	William Christopher	JOHNSTON	Southern	Tuatapere
Firefighter	Martin Gerrard	McATEAR	Southern	Tiwai Industrial
Fire Officer	Brian	MOSS	Southern	Tiwai Industrial

First Clasp to the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal

RANK	FORENAMES	SURNAME	FIRE REGION	BRIGADE
Station Officer	Raymond Anthony	NGATAI	Southern	Clyde
Firefighter	Paul	ROPIHA	Southern	Tiwai Industrial
Firefighter	Watene Rakiora	TE AMO	Southern	Tiwai Industrial
Station Officer	Michael Trevor	THOMAS	Southern	Otematata
Firefighter	Russell Arthur	TIPU	Southern	Tiwai Industrial
Senior Station Officer	David Anthony	BERRY	Transalpine	Christchurch
Station Officer	Graeme Leslie	BOON	Transalpine	Southbridge
Firefighter	Anthony Paul	HANSON	Transalpine	Southbridge
Chief Fire Officer	John Charles Stephen	HILL	Transalpine	Twizel
Senior Station Officer	John Campbell	McCONNELL	Transalpine	Waimate
Senior Firefighter	Gerald Joseph	MURPHY	Transalpine	Twizel
Station Officer	Paul Thomas	RADBURN	Transalpine	Waimate
Firefighter	Vincent Patrick	THOMPSON	Transalpine	Waimate
Senior Firefighter	Barry Peter	THORPE	Transalpine	Christchurch Airport Fire
Station Officer	Mark Peter	ADAMS	Western	Eltham
Senior Station Officer	Grant Roger	DOWNES	Western	New Plymouth
Senior Firefighter	Kevin Graham	O'KEEFE	Western	Feilding
Fire Policeman	Wayne Blair	ROBERTSON	Western	New Plymouth
Deputy Chief Fire Officer	Graeme John	SPIERS	Western	Feilding

First & Second Clasps to the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal

RANK	FORENAMES	SURNAME	FIRE REGION	BRIGADE
Senior Firefighter	Robin James	McCULLOUGH	Transalpine	Christchurch Airport Fire
Senior Fire Officer	Robert Alan James	McKENZIE	Transalpine	Christchurch Airport Fire
Chief Fire Officer	Peter Lennox	MOORE	Transalpine	Christchurch Airport Fire
Deputy Chief Fire Officer	William Stephen	COULDREY	Auckland	Kawakawa Bay
Chief Fire Officer	Clifford Henry	DEERY	Auckland	Kawakawa Bay
Senior Firefighter	Graeme Robert	SPICK	Auckland	Kawakawa Bay
Fire Officer	Anthony James	MOYLAN	Transalpine	Christchurch Airport Fire

First, Second & Third Clasps to the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal

RANK	FORENAMES	SURNAME	FIRE REGION	BRIGADE
Senior Firefighter	Denis James Stuart	DIEDRICHS	Transalpine	Christchurch Airport Fire
Senior Firefighter	Douglas Charles	REVELEY	Transalpine	Airport Fire
Senior Firefighter	Phillip Joseph	SPICER	Transalpine	Christchurch Airport Fire
Ranger Fire	Michael James	FURBY	National Rural Fire Authority	Tapanui

Second Clasp to the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal

RANK	FORENAMES	SURNAME	FIRE REGION	BRIGADE
Senior Firefighter	Douglas Bruce	WALKER	Arapawa	Lower Hutt
Senior Station Officer	Terry Ross	JENNER	Auckland	Papatoetoe
Station Officer	Robin James	LYONS	Auckland	Howick Volunteers
Station Officer	Allistair Desmond	SADLER	Auckland	Te Atatu
Station Officer	Michael Clyde	SIMPSON	Auckland	Waitemata
Chief Fire Officer	Brian Leslie	HUNTER	Bay/Waikato	Matamata VFB
Third Officer	Andrew Joseph	DONALDSON	Eastern	Dannevirke
Station Officer	Thomas Richard James	McKENZIE	Eastern	Havelock North
Station Officer	Keith Rex	WILLIAMS	Eastern	Dannevirke
Senior Station Officer	Ivan John	YOUNG	Eastern	Napier Fire Police
Third Officer	Murray Judson	ELLIS	National Rural Fire Authority	Wainuiomata Bushfire Force
Region Commander	Trevor Mark	ANDREWS	Northland	Northland
Deputy Chief Fire Officer	Trevor Roy	VAILE	Northland	Waipu
Qualified Senior Firefighter	Ronald Lindsay	AITKEN	Southern	Alexandra
Station Officer	Kelvin James	CLEARWATER	Southern	Palmerston
Chief Fire Officer	John Robert	LOWREY	Southern	Otautau
Firefighter	Bruce Kempton	McLENNAN	Southern	Tiwai Industrial
Senior Firefighter	Crawford William	McMILLAN	Southern	Otautau
Senior Station Officer	Roualyn McDonald	MUNRO	Southern	Otematata
Station Officer	Murray Rex	BLOGG	Transalpine	Temuka
Deputy Chief Fire Officer	Roger David	McLENAGHEN	Transalpine	Lincoln
Senior Firefighter	William Noel	MOORE	Transalpine	Southbridge

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RANK	FORENAMES	SURNAME	FIRE REGION	BRIGADE
Station Officer	Kerry Robert	SHAW	Transalpine	Twizel
	Petrus Johannus Jacobus	BOERBOOM	Western	Marton
Senior Firefighter	Donald Ian	CARPENTER	Western	Cheltenham
Senior Fire Police	Kim William	CHASLAND	Western	Levin
Station Officer	Ian Rex	CORBETT	Western	Cheltenham
Firefighter	George Edward	GALLOP	Western	Toko
Chief Fire Officer	Peter John	GUARD	Western	Feilding
Station Officer	John Robert	LANGRIDGE	Western	Okaiawa

Second & Third Clasps to the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal

RANK	FORENAMES	SURNAME	FIRE REGION	BRIGADE
Station Officer	Alan Peter	DONALD	Arapawa	Taupo Wellington

Third Clasp to the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal

RANK	FORENAMES	SURNAME	FIRE REGION	BRIGADE
Senior Station Officer	Alan Boyd	ATKINSON	Arapawa	Wellington
Deputy Chief Fire Officer	Brent Sutton	BYTHELL	Arapawa	Otaki
Senior Firefighter	Kevin Ivan	HINTZ	Arapawa	Wellington
Chief Fire Officer	Garry Lynn	JACKSON	Arapawa	Martinborough
Deputy Chief Fire Officer	John Dugald	JACKSON	Arapawa	Wellington
Senior Firefighter	Thomas Peter	LAWS	Arapawa	Lower Hutt
Senior Firefighter	Vernon Travis	McLEOD	Arapawa	Paekakariki
Deputy Chief Fire Officer	Malcolm George	NELSON	Arapawa	Martinborough
Fire Police	Murray Bernard	PATERSON	Auckland	Warkworth
Chief Fire Officer	Ronald Michael	MANGINO	Bay/Waikato	Te Puke VFB
Qualified Firefighter	Lindsay David	ROWE	Bay/Waikato	Hamilton
Assistant Fire Region Commander (Ops)	Christopher John	NICOLL	Eastern	Napier - Eastern Fire Region
Logistics Officer	Trevor Miles	GOULD	National Rural Fire Authority	Wainuiomata Bushfire Force
Deputy Chief Fire Officer	Roger Taylor	BELL	Transalpine	Waimate
Senior Firefighter	Kenneth David	CLEGHORN	Transalpine	Brunner
Chief Fire Officer	Duncan Hugh	LYALL	Transalpine	Waimate
Chief Fire Officer	Stuart Allen	HART	Western	Ashhurst
Senior Station Officer	Evert	MEGCHELSE	Western	Toko
Senior Station Officer	Richard Maurice	MEULI	Western	Okaiawa

Third & Fourth Clasps to the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal

RANK	FORENAMES	SURNAME	FIRE REGION	BRIGADE
Senior Firefighter	Edward John William	O'MALLEY	Transalpine	Waimate

Fourth Clasps to the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal

RANK	FORENAMES	SURNAME	FIRE REGION	BRIGADE
Fire Police	Fraser William Michael	PERKINS	Auckland	Warkworth
Fire Police	Neville Henry	JACOBSEN	Eastern	Dannevirke
Chief Fire Officer	Andrew Ian	McGREGOR	Southern	Clinton
Senior Station Officer	Maurice Stanley	KELLY	Western	New Plymouth

Fifth Clasp to the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal

RANK	FORENAMES	SURNAME	FIRE REGION	BRIGADE
Senior Fire Fighter	William Barry	CONNELL	Northland	Waipu
Chief Fire Officer	Alan James	CLEARWATER	Southern	Palmerston

Notice No 93: Policy Amendment

POLHR 1.7 Standards of Conduct Policy. Personnel are advised this policy has been amended effective 19 February 2006. The amendments relate to the section Standards Relating to the Rights of Others, (E) and include guidelines on close personal relationships. The changes clarify that in some circumstances, certain close personal relationships between employees must be notified to the relevant manager and a plan developed to mitigate any adverse consequences of the relationship.

The amended policy is available to all personnel on FireNet.

Notice No 94: New Policy

POLHR 1.8D Workplace Bullying Policy. A policy covering Workplace Bullying has been approved by the NZFS Commission following the standard consultation process. The policy was developed in close consultation with the NZPFU and the UFBA. The means of promulgating the policy are also being developed in close consultation with the NZPFU and the UFBA.

The new policy is available to all personnel on FireNet.

Appointments

Vacancy	Position Filled	Person Appointed	Proposed Start Date	Previous Position Held
.	Chief Fire Officer, Oban Volunteer Fire District	Gary Lewis	.	Deputy Chief Fire Officer, Oban Volunteer Fire District
.	Chief Fire Officer, Palmerston Volunteer Fire District	Geoff Davis	.	Deputy Chief Fire Officer, Palmerston Volunteer Fire District
.	Chief Fire Officer, Tahuna Volunteer Fire District	Iain McDonald	.	Deputy Chief Fire Officer, Tahuna Volunteer Fire District
.	Chief Fire Officer, Te Puke Volunteer Fire District	Glenn Williams	.	Deputy Chief Fire Officer, Te Puke Volunteer Fire District

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Vacancy	Position Filled	Person Appointed	Proposed Start Date	Previous Position Held
.	Chief Fire Officer; Woodville Volunteer Fire District	Eric Bonny	1 Aug 06	Deputy Chief Fire Officer; Woodville Volunteer Fire Brigade
.	Deputy Chief Fire Officer; Oban Volunteer Fire District	Brett Twaddle	.	Firefighter; Oban Volunteer Fire Brigade
.	Deputy Chief Fire Officer; Palmerston Volunteer Fire District	Kelvin Clearwater	.	Station Officer; Palmerston Volunteer Fire Brigade
.	Senior Station Officer; Pahiatua Volunteer Fire Brigade	Doug Benton	.	Station Officer; Pahiatua Fire Brigade
.	Station Officer Fire Police, Silverdale Volunteer Fire Brigade	Jeffrey Pine	.	Senior Fire Police, Silverdale Volunteer Fire Brigade
.	Station Officer; Silverdale Volunteer Fire Brigade	Joseph Nesbit	.	Senior Firefighter; Silverdale Volunteer Fire Brigade
.	Station Officer; Thames Volunteer Fire Brigade	Steve Davies	.	Senior Firefighter; Thames Volunteer Fire Brigade
50/2006 - 12032	FAIP Co-ordinator; Transalpine Fire Region	Craig Geddes	24 Aug 06	Senior Firefighter; Dunedin Fire District
65/2006 - 3020	Fire Region Account Manager; National Headquarters	Tracey Reid	10 Jul 06	Financial Accountant, National Headquarters
71/2006 - 2022	Financial Accountant, National Headquarters	David Wood	31 Jul 06	Financial Analyst, National Headquarters
 	Administration Support Assistant. Nelson Fire Brigade, Arapawa Fire Region	Janet Coles	.	.
 	Chief Fire Officer; Blenheim Volunteer Fire Brigade	John Phibbs	.	Deputy Chief Fire Officer; Blenheim Volunteer Fire Brigade
 	Deputy Chief Fire Officer; Blenheim Volunteer Fire Brigade	Ian Martella	.	Senior Station Officer; Blenheim Volunteer Fire Brigade
 	Deputy Chief Fire Officer; Kamo Volunteer Fire Brigade, Northland	Colin Thomson	.	Senior Station Officer; Kamo Volunteer Fire Brigade
 	Deputy Chief Fire Officer; Kawakawa Volunteer Fire Brigade, Northland	Annette Wynyard	.	Station Officer; Kawakawa Volunteer Fire Brigade
 	Senior Station Officer; Inglewood Volunteer Fire Brigade	David Jull	.	Station Officer; Inglewood Volunteer Fire Brigade
 	Station Officer; Inglewood Volunteer Fire Brigade	Richard Kuklinksi	.	Senior Firefighter; Inglewood Volunteer Fire Brigade
62/2006	Fleet & Information Administrator; National Headquarters	Louise Cooper	11 Aug 06	.

