

Clonbinane CFA – September What’s News

Last month Clonbinane CFA celebrated and recognised the contributions that our members (and families) make in protecting our community. Several service awards were presented by Commander Charlie Cleary from District 12 on behalf of the CFA.

5 Year Certificate

Henry Laurie

10 Year Medal

Glenda Farnay

Jack Galbraith

Shane Markey

15 Year Medal

Tom Snaith

Rachel Woods

Craig Zundovskis

20 Year Medal

Luke Vienet

25 Year Medal

Stephen Farnay

Les Geraghty

Leslie Grass

30 Year Medal

Thomas Finnigan

35 Year Medal

Peter Grass

Mark O’Doherty

40 Year Medal

Robert Simpson

Lew Soulsby

45 Year Medal

Mark Jones

50 Year Medal

Lyn Searle

We learnt some incredible things last night including how Lyn became the first female CFA volunteer in our district (region at the time).

In order for Lyn to join Strath Creek CFA she was required to be nominated by the captain and one other, the nomination had to be taken to a brigade meeting before being approved by the Region Officer and Head Office in Melbourne. At the time women weren't permitted on the trucks but since then Lyn has volunteered in many roles including that of truck driver.

As a part of our awards night, we also presented some significant awards.

Brigade and CFA Life Memberships, along with finally handing over some National Emergency Medals (presented last year however recipient was not able to attend ceremony)

National Emergency Medal (2009 and 2019/2020 fires)

Thomas Finnigan

Brigade Life Members

Stephen Farnay

Sharon Hibbert

Lew Soulsby

35 Year CFA Life Members

Ross Hibbert

Mark Kohler

Tony Scicluna

Congratulations and thank you to all members for your contribution to our brigade and community.

Special thanks to JBL Catering for providing us with a delicious meal and of course to our colleagues from Wandong CFA who made themselves available to attend just in case the pager decided to go off in the middle of the presentation.

Pictured below – Brigade Life Members (L-R Tom Snaith (Captain), Lew Soulsby, Sharon Hibbert & Stephen Farnay)



Pictured below – CFA Life Members (L-R Commander Charlie Cleary (District 12), Tony Scicluna, Mark Kohler, Ross Hibbert & Tom Snaith (Captain)

