

CLONBINANE C.F.A.



Summer is here and so are our fire restrictions. Restrictions came into force for the Mitchell Shire Council on Monday 18th November and will remain in place until further notice.

Penalties for lighting fire illegally during Fire Danger Period and on Total Fire Ban days include large fines and possible imprisonment.

Head to the CFA website to find out more about your legal obligations during the Fire Danger period & days of Total Fire Ban.

During the Fire Danger Period it is important to know what the Fire Danger Rating is.

Fire Danger Ratings tell you how dangerous a fire could be if one started.

They are important because they help you decide what actions to take to protect yourself and others from bushfires and grassfires.

Fire danger ratings are shown in the same way across all of Australia, so whether you're at home or travelling, you will see the same rating system.

The new Fire Danger Ratings



There are four levels of fire danger:

- **Moderate** - Plan and prepare
- **High** - Be ready to act
- **Extreme** - Take action now to protect your life and property
- **Catastrophic** - For your survival, leave bushfire risk areas

Fire Danger Ratings will be issued on days when there is a fire risk.

Each fire danger rating will have a clear set of messages including the actions the community can take to reduce their risk.

Ratings are forecast using Bureau of Meteorology data for up to four days in advance, based on weather and other environmental conditions such as vegetation.

The rating is your trigger to take action to stay safe.

Fire Danger signs are located at the top of Spur Road, Broadford-Wandong Road (near Clonbinane Exit ramps) and the corner of Broadford-Wandong Road/Clonbinane Road. These signs are changed by our members and will also be updated on days of Total Fire Ban. Fire Danger Ratings can also be found on the CFA website or on the VicEmergency app.

Brigade activities

You may see our vehicles out on the roads on Wednesday nights and Sunday mornings as our members continue to train for the fire season. If you wish to seek further information about property preparedness, please drop into the station at 10am on Sunday morning or contact us through our Facebook page.

Santa Run – Santa will be in Waterford Park on Wednesday 18th December, he will be travelling around the estate and will make his way to the reserve from 6pm.

From Clonbinane CFA we wish everyone a safe and happy holidays