

COWWARR CHRONICLE

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Happy 2014 to Everyone

Dates for the Diary

Sunday 26th. January 2014 Australia Day Breakfast.

Where: Cowwarr Public Hall

From: 8am.

Yes, it is that time of year again and the Oz Day Breakfast is on. CCHA has received a grant of \$300 from Wellington Shire to provide our usual slap-up breakfast.

The 2014 Cowwarr Primary School Leadership Team will hoist the flag up the pole and we will have musicians to help out with the National Anthem etc.

So come along and meet some of our new families, have a good goss and catch –up on what has been happening around the place.

The Lolly Scramble will again feature after breakfast courtesy of CCHA.



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Notes from the Station for January 2014

Station Upgrade Progress

The Station needs to be completely closed for the upgrade works; the Engine bay will be demolished. The Tanker will be stored at the WGCMA depot and all the stuff in the training room has to be shifted out to temporary storage or for disposal. Working bee on Saturday 11th from 10:30 AM to achieve this. So, no Siren except on Tanker, no phones, no fridge – nothing. Any personal gear will have to be stored at home until the new Station is ready for occupation. Sorry for the inconvenience this will cause; hopefully, at the end of the upgrade, the Station will be more useful.

Strike Team Roster - Our weeks start 13-January and 3-March

Our designation is still Strike Team 1002 but everything else has changed. We're grouped with nearby tankers to facilitate faster assembly: Glen East, Glen T2, Seaton, Traralgon East and Heyfield FCV. The assembly point will be chosen once we know which way we'll be going! Anton will compile a short-list of people available and accredited for these weeks. You'll need to be able to get to the Station within about 20 minutes, keep that in mind as you consider your availability. We can presume that Strike Team will be invoked for fires not near here (the nearest 10 tankers would be directly dispatched via Vicfire); probably up to 100 Km away, and will probably be for up to 24 hour duration.

Roster for weekly maintenance run: find key safe at WGCMA depot gate!

Jan	Duty Officer	Andrew Iseppi	5148 9339		
Date	Driver	Phone	Crew	Phone	Hydrant
07	Simon Mitchell	5148 9384	Denis Reynolds	5148 9336	6
14	Ray Pollard	5148 9305	Gary Scott	5148 9079	7
21	Trevor Astbury	5148 9267	David Johnston	5148 9231	8
28	Andrew Iseppi	5148 9339	Brian Tyler	0428 399 348	9

Training

Tuesday evening training will continue for our couple of recruits; otherwise we're focussing on the fire season.

CFA Training Calendar

Start Date	End Date	Course Name	Course Code	Location	Nominations Close
1-Mar	9-Mar	DRIVE OFF ROAD EMPLOY PERSONAL PROTECTION AT A HAZARDOUS	CFA28402	DISTRICT 10	3-Feb
1-Mar	30-Mar	MATERIALS INCIDENT	CFA299	MORWELL	1-Feb
5-Mar	30-Mar	SUPPRESS WILDFIRE	CFA293	MAFFRA	10-Feb
15-Mar	22-Mar	LPG EMERGENCY RESPONSE	CFA00301	TRARALGON	10-Feb
1-Apr	30-Apr	ATMOSPHERIC MONITORING	CFA230	MORWELL	1-Mar
8-Apr	27-Apr	SUPPRESS WILDFIRE DRIVE VEHICLES UNDER	CFA293	CHURCHILL	17-Mar
11-Apr	25-May	OPERATIONAL CONDITIONS	CFA308	MORWELL	10-Mar

Officer Contacts

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3rd Lieutenant	Rob Gibbs			0409 566 320
4th Lieutenant	Veggy			
Comms Officer	Ann Gibbs			0412 085 076
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