

Hot Spot

August 2016

Fire Events

Month	Type	Detail	Action undertaken
June 2016	Fires (9)	Controlled Burn (3)	No action required, reported by the public , fire was under control.
		Hedge / Shelterbelt (3)	Fires controlled by attending teams
		Rubbish (2)	1 left to burn, was under control 1 put out by attending crew
		Scrub (1)	Controlled by attending crew
		Medical (1)	No details available
July 2016	Fires (4)	Hedge / Shelterbelt (1)	Fire controlled by attending teams
		Controlled Burn (2)	No action required, reported by the public, fire was under control
		Hot Ashes (1)	Disposed of incorrectly and controlled by attending team.
		MVA (3)	No details available

Up and Coming Events

Christmas is five months away! The Santa Parade organisers are asking for participants now. Parade date: 3 December.

If you are interested in putting together a walking group, float or dress up a fire trucks, if you know a few kids who would like a ride on a fire truck, you are welcome to enter under Southern Rural Fire. Ring Sally and she will organise 0800 77 33 63.

Other Stuff

Southern Rural Fire now has a heavily discounted range of clothing available to you.

Volunteers – Southern Rural Fire staff will be bringing samples when they attend your training.

Everyone else – you are welcome to come to the Southern Rural Fire office and try items on.

All clothing comes with Southern Rural Fire logo. For volunteer teams this includes your team name.

	Retail Price	Southern Rural Fire Price
Down Jackets	\$399	\$170
Wind proof jackets	\$279	\$93
Merion Tops	\$179	\$75

Training

Upcoming training with Southern Rural Fire Trainers

This is your chance to practice and understand equipment and fire fighting techniques so you are ready to go this summer.

"Practice isn't the thing you do once you're good. It's the thing you do that makes you good." - Malcolm Gladwell

Team	Date	Trainer
VRFF - Athol	4 Aug	Mike Grant
VRFF - Garston	8 Aug	Trevor Tidey
VRFF - Waikawa	8 Aug	Sally Chesterfield
VRFF - Hedgehope	11 Aug	Mike Grant
VRFF - Drummond	11 Aug	Warren Heslip
DOC Invercargill	11-12 Aug	Elton Smith / Dave Coveney
Shaun Foster	15-18 Aug	National Rural Fire, Intermediate Fire Behaviour Course
DOC Te Anau	16-17 Aug	Elton Smith / Warren Heslip
VRFF - Athol	18 Aug	Mike Grant
Fulton Hogan	18-19 Aug	Elton Smith / Dave Coveney
VRFF - Garston	22 Aug	Trevor Tidey
VRFF - Drummond	25 Aug	Trevor Tidey
ICC Parks	1-2 Sep	Elton Smith / Dave Coveney
VRFF - Athol	1 Sep	Sally Chesterfield
VRFF - Garston	5 Sep	Trevor Tidey
Downer / Ernslaw	6-7 Sep	Elton Smith / Warren Heslip
VRFF - Hedgehope	8 Sep	Sally Chesterfield
VRFF - Drummond	8 Sep	Elton Smith
VRFF - Waikawa	8 Sep	Dave Coveney
VRFF - Blackmount	13 Sep	Elton Smith
VRFF - Athol	15 Sep	Mike Grant

Other cool courses you may be interested in. Please speak to your manager / Controller first and discuss with Sally.

Course	Date	What is it
Fire Behaviour Course	13-14 Oct	Theory course to understand how fires behaves and how to keep you and your team safe. This course is a pre-request to becoming a Crew Leader.
Working under Helicopters and load water and additives	Sat 15 Oct	½ day theory on aircraft safety followed by ½ day practical working under helicopters loading heli buckets.

Review Update

Want to know what's happening with the development of Fire and Emergency New Zealand (FENZ) go to <http://fenzproject.co.nz/>

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