

It's an Honour



The Australian Fire Service Medal

The Australian Fire Service Medal (AFSM) is one of six meritorious awards in the Australian honours system.

The AFSM was established on 12 April 1988 to recognise distinguished service by members of Australian full-time and volunteer fire services.

Since its introduction, 209 NSW Rural Fire Service members have been honoured with the Australian Fire Service Medal. A full list of the NSW RFS members who have received the AFSM is shown on the following two pages.

How it is awarded

The Australian Fire Service Medal is awarded by the Governor-General on the recommendation of the responsible Commonwealth, State and Territory ministers.

Each year the following awards may be made: one award for each 1,000, or part of 1,000, full-time permanent members of the fire service or combined fire services (as the case may be) of that State serving on 30 June in the year immediately preceding that calendar year; one award for each 5,000, or part of 5,000, part-time, volunteer or auxiliary members of the fire service or combined fire services (as the case may be)

of that State serving on 30 June in the year immediately preceding that calendar year; and one additional award.

The awards are announced on Australia Day (26 January) and the Queen's Birthday (June) of each year.

A person may only receive the Australian Fire Service Medal once.

Medal design

The award is a circular copper-nickel medal. It is ensigned with the Crown of St Edward. The front of the medal displays an image of the Queen superimposed over a seven-pointed star of flames.

The back of the medal is inscribed with the words 'Australian Fire Service Medal', and 'For Distinguished Service' on a background of flames.

Medal ribbon

The 32 millimetre-wide ribbon has a central vertical band of gold, which is superimposed with a red pattern symbolising flames. The two outer vertical bands are green.

More information can be found on the www.itsanhonour.gov.au





NSW RFS Honour Roll



1988

Spencer McCormack Cowan
Donald Woodhouse Putty

1989

Peter Chamberlain
Russel Mobbs Nelson

1990

Frank Cameron
Robert Schofield Westleigh
Sidney Smith North Shore

1991

Allan Carruthers Springwood
Thomas Tourle Dubbo

1992

Alan Brinkworth Terrey Hills
Ronald Drury Taree
Leslie Lambert Wildes Meadow

1993

Phil Collins via Candelo

1994

Gerald Byrnes via Wentworth
Peter Ezzy Rosehill
Keith Simpson Terrey Hills

1995

Leslie Clarke Dubbo
Phil Koperberg Springwood

1996

Keith McKellar Katoomba
George Stoneman Little Hartley
Bruno Sudiro Kyogle

1997

Irene Ross via Moruya
Terry Toll Sunshine Bay

1998

Barry Belt Batemans Bay
Kevin Doherty Wellington
Leslie Nott Gunnedah

1999

Denis Bailey Inverell
Kevin Bristow Mulbring
Keith Harrap Berowra Hgts
Douglas Harrison Netley
Bevan McAlister Quandialla
Neil McMahon St Helens Park
Stuart Midgley Barden Ridge
Colin Miller Tahmoor
Brian Pickford Bellbird
Bruce Poulter Terrey Hills
Warren Robinson Woonona
Jack Sealey Queanbeyan
William Wilson Casula
Roy Worrell Minto
Christopher Anderson Kenthurst

2000

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Peter Butler Coffs Harbour
Ronald Clarke Moruya
Alan Holding Harden
Robert Hyde Cobar
Julie McLane Dubbo
Brian Parry Erowal Bay
Walter Stokes Mittagong
Lido Turrin Ruse
Terence Wilkinson Gol Gol

2001

Ronald Anderson Granville
Neil Crawley Narooma
John Fitzgerald Lapstone
Shane Fitzsimmons Duffys Forest
Peter Hollier Gorokan
May Jenkins Lochinvar
Anthony Jones Winmalee
Robert Pyers Potato Point
Roger Schiller Hay
Terence Taylor Yetman
Paul Whiteley Wellington

2002

Warren Arnott Minto Hgts
Stephen Basham Warialda
Donald Duffy Blandford
Karen Hodges Wilberforce
John Hojel Maraylya
John Jenks
Peter Kearney Crow Mtn
Norman Mann Bathurst
Ian McCrohon Orange
Ronald Rollison Basin View
Ross Smith Baulkham Hls
Colin Turnbull Cessnock

2003

Allan Barter Bendalong
Kevin Browne Mumbil
Adrian Carey Yass Valley
Raymond Collyer Wardell
Mark Crossweller Warringah
Arthur Elledge South Lismore
Peter Greaves Telegraph Pt
Janette Jackson Keinbah
Peter Kinkead Singleton
Thomas Manning Barellan
Alan Margerison Oak Flats
Brian Miller Leeton
Russell Taylor Dangar Island

2004

William Berryman Mathoura
Barry Brotherson Oak Flats
Donald Carter Bangor
Leonard Carter Narellan
Garth Eggleston Casula
John Hill Tullibigeal
Tony Howe Castle Hill
Dominic Lane Cootamundra
Jeff Larsen Bathurst
Robin Rogers Rosehill
Roger Secomb Coffs Harbour
Ian Thomas Darlington

2005

Norman Bignell Stratford
Richard Cotterill Mount Annan
Colin Crawford Oak Flats
Brian Graham Erskine Park
Bruce Holz Camden
Gordon Le Poidevin

Roger Pearce Curl Curl
Richard Petch Emu Plains
Dennis Ratcliff Corowra
Kenneth Rawlinson Muswellbrook
Vikki Scanlon Manilla
Reginald Schwarze Engadine
Peter Speet Oakville

2006

Grant Anderson Lanitza
Leslie Bowden Salt Ash
Allan Brett Beacon Hill
James Drinnan Camden
Brian Favelle Hannan Vale
Alan Gillespie Raymond Terrace
Gordon Hill Cobar
John Jaffray Mount Warrigal
David Messenger West Wyalong
Alan Robinson Winmalee
William Rodger Wilberforce
Bruce Smith Moruya
John Tolhurst Katoomba

2007

John A'Beckett Hornsby Hgts
Trevor Anderson Kellyville
John Ashton Lake Tabourie
Brian Ayliffe Cobargo
Kam Baker Gloucester
Mick Beltram Granville
Kevin Duff Terrey Hills
John Harvey Ashby
Don Luscombe Winmalee
Stephen McCrae Manilla
David McMonnies Berowra
Leslie Stewart Bucketty
John Wood Illawong

2008

George Alexander Albury
Neville Anderson Upper Corindi
Edward Davies Narromine
William Dunn Southern
Clinton Jessop-Smith HgInds
Ronald Jollow Penrith
Clive Linnett Wendoree Pk
Brian McKinlay Ivanhoe
Peter Murphy Seahampton

Dennis Saunders Guyra
Mark Swayn Ryde
Stephen Weyman Orchard Hills
Steven Yorke Scotland Island

2009

Fred Aphorpe Merbein, Vic
Christopher Barron Jerilderie
Brett Bowden Orange
Keith Butt Young
Jim Chivas Bullaburra
Bryan Daly Grafton
James Drane Thirlmere
Dennis Joiner Mona Vale
Joe Knox Wagga Wagga
Alfred Raistrick Cobbitty
John Sendall Goulburn
Christopher Smith Merimbula
James Smith Dural

2010

Angelo Baldo Glenorie
Ian Bartholomew Ourimbah
Barry Carr Molong
Kevin Cooper Ambar Vale
Colin Dowling Dubbo
Gregory Green Bargo
Lance Howley Kyalite
Kenneth Hughes Warringah
Kenneth Neville Forbes
Richard Parish Bringelly
Neville Roberts Narromine
Ian Smith Yerrinbool
Geoffrey Thiessen Wing-ecarribee

2011

Carol Anderson Bexley
Leonard Best Dural
Judee Bryant South Durras
Norman Carter Gloucester
Kenneth Chalker Pheasants Nst
Jeffrey Cree Davidson
Grahame Fothergill Farmborough Heights
David Hoadley Barry
Bruce McDonald Lidcombe
Bruce Noble Eugowrie
Douglas Pearce Talmalmo
Doreen Peters Hartley Vale
Roy Stacy Griffith

2012

Alan Anderson Wellington
Jeffrey Bower Rainbow Flat
Michael Brooks Narrabri
Russell Deaves Wye
Paul Gleeson Cunjurong Pt
Donald Langdon Rouse Hill
William Lee Dural
John Mackenzie Eumungerie
Geoffrey Olsen Dungog
David Phillips Tuncurry
Christopher Powell Wamboin
Geoffrey Towerer Broom Hd
Bruce Walton Carlingford

2013

Lindsay Henley Ungarie
Barrie Hewitt Bogee
Tom Nolles Orange
Errol Smith Singleton
James Smith Urana
Ian Stewart Tapitallee
Barry Tindall Salt Ash