



SES

STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE - KALBARRI

April 2016

Operation in March :- None.

Training and other activities:-

Weekend 12th—14th :- Regional Single Rope Rescue Course in Kalbarri.

This 3 day course was attended by 23 students, instructors and assistants from Kalbarri, Useless Loop, Carnarvon, Geraldton and Eneabba.

This course involves the skills of abseiling, ascending, crossing over knots in a rope, changing over to a different rope, and rescuing another person who is stuck on a rope by descending on a separate rope, hooking up the stranded climber to themselves, 'un-hook' them from their jammed rope and descending to the bottom.

A bit daunting for first time volunteer students. Hence the mandatory safety office there at all times and the use of the climbing tower, where instructors could monitor closely what students were doing as they practiced the course activities prior to their assessment on the third day.



April 2016 Scheduled Activities

Date	Time	Activity	Organiser(s)
Weekend 1st-3rd		Regional Urban Search & Rescue course in Carnarvon	Steve C
Monday	4th	18:45 Round Robin, team rotation through 3 challenges	Dan / Grum
Monday	18th	18:45 Map Reading and Navigation Exercise	Mac
Fridays	17:30-19:00	Gilgai Fundraising Meat/Seafood packs Community/Engagement	Mac

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SRR Course.

The close monitoring of students by trainers not only provided guidance and advice but gave them the confidence to proceed with tasks knowing that someone was watching to make sure they would be safe.

Monday 14th :- AIMS Awareness Course.

After the completion of the SRR course the Monday afternoon/evening was filled up with around 25 volunteers completing what is now the pre-requisite for all other courses. This was followed by an evening BBQ in the outdoor classroom area.

Kalbarri SES/VFRS Cooperation

At the joint premises the weekend also was used for a Regional VFS structural course, which required use of building roofs and also the training tower by SES and VFRS volunteers at the same time. With co-operation this went smoothly as in the photograph below.

[Mac Holt]

