

## **SESVA to Facilitate Trainer/Assessor (BSZ) Upgrades**

Traditionally the SES Volunteers train and assess SES Volunteers in most skill sets.

DFES has offered SES Volunteers an online option (which is unpalatable for many Volunteers) to upgrade their BSZ and pre-January 2011 TAA Trainer/Assessor competencies. As a consequence many have fallen behind in what is required to keep their currency for delivering and assessing training, so the SESVA have worked on a program for BSZ upgrades in the Metropolitan area. There will be follow up sessions for the SW, LSW and Great Southern. The SESVA has limited funding so are unable to travel to other regions for this upgrade.

The SESVA, with the assistance of former SES State Training Manager and DO Natural Hazards (Les Hayter), are offering to run four Metropolitan Workshops to assist existing and potential Trainer/Assessors who currently hold the old BSZ or the pre-January 2011 TAA Trainer and Assessor competencies. This will enable them to regain 'currency' to deliver and assess TRK's by holding the 'Equivalence' of the TAE Trainer and Assessor competencies.

SES Volunteers are able to do this upgrade online should they wish to by contacting Brad Knox at DFES Academy phone 9454 0777

Committee member, Les Hayter, has offered his services for the people identified on TRAIN as requiring this upgrade.

There are two nights and two weekend sessions in the Metropolitan area to choose from;

**Workshop 1 - North Coastal - Stirling SES Unit HQ Tues 18th March 1900 - 2200hrs**

**Workshop 2 - North East - Swan SES Unit HQ Thurs 20th March 1900 - 2200hrs**

**Workshop 3 - South East - Canning SES Unit HQ Sat 29th March 1300 - 1600hrs**

**Workshop 4 - South Coastal - Rockingham SES Unit HQ Sun 30th March 1300 - 1600hrs**

If people decide to use another Regional location option the SESVA ask that they please email (les.hayter@bigpond.com ) or call him on 0455 243 602 to book a place as some workshops may be oversubscribed.

The workshops take around 3 hours to complete and Les will be around for up to an hour post workshop if people need more time to complete the tasks. Once the process is completed and marked, the paperwork goes straight to the DFES Training Academy for entry on TRAIN. Given a few weeks for entry everyone who completes the task should receive a certificate from DFES in the mail saying it was successfully completed and entered on TRAIN.

All the participants need to bring is a pen and a bit of brainpower!

If anyone has further questions about the process please email or call Les Hayter.

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