



# SES

## STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE - KALBARRI

JUNE 2015

### Operation in May :- Geraldton Search missing boy.

May 5th 10:30 :- Team deployed to Geraldton - missing 12 year old boy missing overnight. Stood down whilst en-route - boy had been found safe.

### Training and other activities

Weekend 2nd – 3rd May:- Regional Air Observers course held in Geraldton, theory and practical including simulated life raft setup and access in swimming pool. Qualified were Grum, Chris and Michelle.

Monday 11th :- Map use and Exercise.

Monday 25th :- Search navigation, patterns and procedures with desktop challenge.

### Outdoor Classroom Assembly/installation Progress:-

This joint project between Kalbarri SES and VFRS is to provide a facility to enable under-cover training for both groups which cannot be done in in the indoor training room facilities. Additionally in large operations it provides a 'muster / logistic deployment area for volunteers just outside the kitchen facilities.

The previous use of the area was limited by the location of septic systems and drains hence the floor will be paved. The project was managed by the SES and grants applied for and awarded from Royalties for Regions via the Mid West Development Commission (MWDC). Other funding came from community fundraising. 'In-Kind' value being provided by Northampton Shire, SES and VFRS volunteers. SES volunteers managed the project and built the main structure..



### June 2015 Scheduled Activities

Date	Time	Activity	Organiser(s)
Weekend 5th-7th		Regional Single Rope Rescue Course in Kalbarri	Steve C, Steve D, T Dalwood/A DeKleer
Monday 8th	18:45	Rope Rescue Scenario plus	SteveC, Steve D
Monday 22nd	18:45	Search Techniques Challenges	SteveC
Continuing		Completion Work on New Outdoor Classroom project	Mac

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## Kalbarri SES June report (continued).

The VFRS volunteers being responsible for the 'building' aspects related to the existing walls, paving and relocation of the standby generator.

The contribution of both volunteer groups and community fund raising will be 50% of the project value.

On 22nd May National Party MLA Shane Love, MLC Martin Aldridge and MWDC board members came to Kalbarri to announce \$2.6M of funding within Northampton Shire and to review the progress of the facility and their included grant contribution of \$20,000.

The 'presentation cheque' was presented to Shire representatives and Kalbarri SES.

This project will add to the facilities at Kalbarri SES/VFRS as this location is now becoming a training centre for the Mid West Region and beyond. [Mac Holt]

