

Operation in July :- None.

Training and other activities:-

Monday 3rd July :- Scheduled Communications training of HF and QMAC and checking out power for remote site Clarke's mast locations.

Weekend 17th-20th July :- Search Team Leaders Course in Shark Bay.



The course instructors were from Kalbarri and Karratha with students from Kalbarri, Geraldton, Morrowa, Carnarvon and Shark Bay. This course had not been run for around 5 years and most participants had acted as Search Team Leaders over this period.

The course included leading teams in all search types and included practical assessments in bush search (covering ground not searched in 2014 for the missing tourist) and urban search, which involved the scenario requiring the search of the Heritage Resort buildings and surrounds including the pool area where a dummy had been placed and had to be 'rescued' and CPR/First Aid had to be enacted. .

August 2015 Scheduled Activities

DateTime ActivityOrganMonday 3rd18:45 HF/QMAC CommunicationsSteveWeekend 8th-9thSES Regional Exercise at remote location all unitsRegioMonday 24th18:45 TBA (Lessons learnt from Regional Exercise)Steve

Organiser(s) Steve C Regional Steve C

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28th-31st July :- Incident Controllers Course:-

Level 1 incidents (generally within the control of local emergency services units and brigades) are requiring greater organization and more formal control. This course provides the knowledge and management procedures to formalize the training of Level 1 incident controllers. The experienced volunteer attendees were 4 SES volunteers (Kalbarri, Carnarvon, Shark Bay and Geraldton), 2 VFRS volunteers and 2 Bush Fire volunteers.

Most 'students' had been running local incidents for some years and as such brought considerable personal experience to the course. Two days of classroom theory was followed by 2 days of assessment scenarios which had 'unexpected' changes/new challenges thrown in to 'test' the management/stress levels of the participants.



The Outdoor Classroom project is just about complete. The original plan was to keep the generator in a section of the covered area—but thanks to Shane (Abrolhos Electrical) and Shire support the generator was moved, thus almost doubling the useable space in the outdoor classroom. The formal opening of

the completed project will be in September. Big contributions from SES and VFRS volunteers. .[Mac Holt].....

