

FMAC MEMBER PROFILE

Ed Gwynne - Hydro Tasmania

Works Coordinator - Bushfire Mitigation

Member of 5 FMACs - Chair of Midlands

- Construction / military background and moved to Tasmania in 2017 and started working for Hydro. Started as a Works Co-ordinator initially managing the Roads & Vegetation portfolio and has spent the past few years in the Bushfire Mitigation space
- Roles have been focussed on the civil asset management space in areas that support the generation capability, and the protection of those generation assets.

How they CONTRIBUTE to SFMC/FMAC and KEY ROLE

- Chair of Midlands FMAC and represents Hydro Tasmania on a number of other FMACs.
- FMAC's are an opportunity to collaborate with agencies cross tenure and increase Hydro's involvement in state-wide bushfire protection activities
- Involvement in the FMAC is an opportunity to learn from a range of bushfire professionals and take the learnt knowledge to further develop Hydro's bushfire mitigation activities.

PERSONAL THOUGHTS on the BIGGEST CONTRIBUTION OR SUCCESS or what they are LOOKING FORWARD to (SFMC/FMAC)

- Hydro Tasmania has an ongoing bushfire mitigation program, and in collaboration with Justin Cashion from Ground Proof Mapping -Launceston, has been developing this for the past few years, and will continue into the future.
- The program has achieved fuel reduction burns over the past four seasons and major vegetation mitigation activities.

MOVEMENTS

Welcome to:

HOBART FMAC

Clarence City Council - Brad Lewis

HOBART & SOUTHERN FMACs

Kingborough Council - Christopher Salter

RED HOT TIPS

Andrew Crowden - N/NW Facilitator



BUSHFIRE-READY CHALLENGE



The new 2024 Tasmania Fire Service Bushfire-Ready Challenge is coming this Spring 2024!

Register now and receive weekly challenges across a 4 week program, helping your household plan and prepare for bushfire season!

Join us at:

<https://bushfire.tas.gov.au/bushfire-challenge/bushfire-ready-challenge>

Take it on. Be prepared.

KEY DATES

AFAC 2024

3-6 September 2024

<https://www.afaconference.com.au/>

Australian Disaster Resilience Conference

4-5 September 2024

<https://www.aidr.org.au/events/43845>

Australian Bushfire Building Conference

11-13 September 2024

<https://bushfireconference.com.au/>

TFS Fire Risk Abatement Workshop

Enquiries to: bfp@fire.tas.gov.au / 6166 5633

NORTH WEST - 24 September 2024 @ Ulverstone Fire Brigade

NORTH - 25 September 2024 @ TFS Complex, Youngtown

SOUTH - 27 September 2024 @ Mornington



SFMC UPDATE

from the Chair - Ian Sauer

- Position paper - Management of smoke arising from prescribed burning of vegetation is currently under revision.
- The Tasmanian Vegetation Management Policy 2017 is under review and will include extensive stakeholder consultation and end user feedback.
- Red Hot Tips Advisory Group has commenced a recruitment process.
- Hobart and Southern FMAC recommendations were endorsed.
- The SFMC met with Central Highlands landowners at Campbell Town on 24 May 2024 to discuss fire permits, use of local champions in campaign fires and the machinery operations guidelines.

FMAC NEWS

We have come to the end of the 1st round of the FMAC meetings. Thank you for your participation and contribution.

Feedback on the draft FMAC Induction Manual has been extremely positive. You will receive the revised 2nd draft soon. The manual is on schedule for submission of the final draft to the SFMC in September.

All FMAC Bushfire Risk Management Plans are required to be submitted to the SFMC by 30 September 2024 for approval. SFMC will work with FMAC Chairs, BRU Planners and BRU GIS staff on this.

