



# **SA VOLUNTEER FIRE FIGHTERS MUSEUM Inc**

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## **A progress summary / report to CFSVA October 2017**

**An extremely busy & most rewarding period over the last few weeks, with more to follow!!!**

- Museum display with CFS at the Paskeville Field Days
- Continuing maintenance of Museum and Memorial site
- Meetings with Naracoorte High School who are making up data bases for Museum use.
- Culverts arrive last week from Rocla for completion of car park exit.
- Naracoorte Show display on the 14<sup>th</sup> October
- Local working group meeting to be held on the 15<sup>th</sup> Oct
- Monster Concert and raffle (launch on the 6<sup>th</sup> April 2018)
- Date for the 2018 Memorial Service Sat 7<sup>th</sup> April 2018.
- Notice of Workshop and AGM attached
- Media release and photos courtesy of the Naracoorte Herald (28<sup>th</sup> Sept) attached.

## **Notice of 2017 Museum Workshop and AGM**

**Date 28<sup>th</sup> October 2017**

**Location CFS Region 5 HQ, Smith Street Naracoorte SA**

**Inspection of Museum site 50 Kingston Ave & Appliances at Naracoorte Show ground  
1330 hrs to 1430 hrs**

**Workshop at R5HQ 1430 to 1700 hrs**

**Dinner at R5 1800 to 1930 hrs**

**AGM 1930 hrs to 2030 hrs to conclude with a Guest Speaker**

**RSVP PLEASE by 20<sup>th</sup> October**

**Rex Hall AFSM  
Chairman  
1/10/2017**

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Naracoorte will benefit from the Coalition's Building Better Regions Fund, with \$18,750 from the federal fund being awarded to the South Australian Volunteer Fire Fighters Museum.

Member for Barker Tony Pasin said the funding had been awarded to the museum for the development of a strategic business plan (2012-2017) and funding strategy.

The museum's purpose is to educate the wider community on the role of volunteer fire service in SA, since its inception as the emergency fire service in the 1940s to the current day.

"I'm extremely supportive of this project. Our firefighters, particularly our volunteers, past and present, show a tremendous dedication and work hard in often dangerous, life threatening conditions," Mr Pasin said. "They leave own family, home, and sometimes community, to help others.

"I'm really pleased to see the SA Volunteer Fire Fighters Museum be successful in their application for funding through the Building Better Regions Fund."

Minister for Regional Development Fiona Nash said the Building Better Regions Fund Community Investment Stream was investing \$6.9 million in community projects throughout regional Australia.

"I aim to help build the kinds of regional communities our children and grandchildren either want to stay or come back to," Ms Nash said. "This project helps to do that."

The Building Better Regions Fund is used to foster economic growth in rural, regional and remote communities. Its current budget is \$500 million.

Nationwide, 147 projects have received economic support and investment from the Fund.

As well as securing federal funding, the Fire Fighters Museum has also been rewarded with a \$500 local donation. The donation came via the Naracoorte RSL, and was raised through fundraising efforts such as raffles and individual member donations.

"We decided as a group to donate the money to the CFS guys to help them honour the lives lost in fire fighting," said Naracoorte RSL, Rob Crowe.

"I'm sure Rex (Hall) has acknowledged the acceptance of it, and what he plans to do with it (the money).

"We try and do as much as we can, we are very much appreciative, with the support on Anzac Day and Remembrance Day from the rest of the community, the firefighters, schools."

SA Volunteer Fire Fighters Museum (SAVFFM) chair Rex Hall said: "The donation will assist us in completing the memorial in honour of those who've lost their lives in fire fighting in South Australia."

"They've made the ultimate sacrifice so we need to acknowledge them, and this \$500 will enable us to finalise that recognition."

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