

Fire & Rescue NSW Firefighter Championship

Region North 1

19 - 20 August 2017



Hosted by
Port Macquarie Brigade





THE CHAMPIONSHIP ENVIRONMENT

First introduced in 1932, the Firefighter Championship has a very long and proud history. Over the past 85 years, thousands of firefighters have competed in the event which showcases world-class operations and skills.

Today, as well as in years gone by, the Championship embodies and reflects the environment in which firefighters operate in. The event focusses on developing, maintaining and enhancing operational skills as well as promoting safety.

The Championship is based on FRNSW's guiding principles of respect, integrity, service delivery, courage and safety. These values are an integral part of the organisation's ethos and are the foundation of this competitive event.

Aside from the competition events, the Championship also enables FRNSW to promote itself as an effective and efficient emergency service through various displays and demonstrations. It engages with local communities by providing fire safety education to a broader audience, including the business sector.

Whilst respecting past traditions, I encourage all participants to embrace the Championship and all that it represents. By continually improving operational capabilities, FRNSW is able to better protect communities from fires and other emergencies well into the future.



***Assistant Commissioner Rob McNeil AFSM
Director of Firefighter Championship***

Championship Values

- Develop, maintain and enhance the operational skills of firefighters
- Promote a professional image of FRNSW to NSW communities
- Promote community safety and awareness
- Encourage teamwork, camaraderie and individual performance
- Demonstrate various skills, knowledge and expertise of FRNSW

Championship Objectives

- Provide improved opportunities for firefighters to display a high level of skills
- Deliver improved community safety programs
- Provide an opportunity to market the services of the FRNSW to key stakeholders

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A Brief History of Port Macquarie

The site of Port Macquarie was first visited by Europeans in 1818 when John Oxley reached the Pacific Ocean from the interior, after his journey to explore inland NSW. He named the location after the Governor of NSW, Lachlan Macquarie.

Oxley noted that 'the port abounds with fish, the sharks were larger and more numerous than I have ever before observed. The forest hills and rising grounds abounded with large kangaroos and the marshes afford shelter and support to innumerable wild fowl. Independent of the Hastings River, the area is generally well watered, there is a fine spring at the very entrance to the Port'.

In 1821, Port Macquarie was founded as a penal settlement, replacing Newcastle as the destination for convicts who had committed secondary crimes in NSW. The settlement, which was disbanded in 1830, peaked with approximately 1,500 convicts in 1825 but this number dropped to 530 by 1828.

In 1823, the first sugar cane to be cultivated in Australia was planted in Port Macquarie. The region was first opened to settlers in 1830 and following the closure of the penal settlement, settlers quickly took advantage of the area's good pastoral land, timber resources and fisheries.

In 1840, construction commenced on the "Wool Road" from the Northern Tablelands to enable wool and other produce to be shipped from the area. Port Macquarie was declared a municipality in 1887 however the town never progressed as a port due to a notorious coastal bar across the mouth of the river.



Port Macquarie Fire Brigade 1980

Port Macquarie Demonstration - 1964

The following article appeared in Port Macquarie News on 20 October 1964:

Fire board's demo away to spectacular beginning

Preceding the official opening of the NSW Volunteer Fire Brigade's demonstration, a spectacular march of helmeted firemen stretched more than the full length of Horton Street yesterday afternoon.

The official opening was performed by His Excellency, the Governor of NSW, Sir Eric Woodward. Led by Port Macquarie brigade and the Municipal Band, the march was watched by several thousand people along the route, and disorganised traffic for half an hour or so.

Wauchope Salvation Army provided a second band, and the marchers had music all along the line.

When they assembled in West Port Macquarie Park for the official opening and inspection by the Governor, the massed brigades provided the most spectacular scene Port Macquarie had seen for many a day.

There were 430 personnel from 66 brigades, which came from many and distant parts of the State. The organisers were very happy with the response, for although the number of brigades was down on the Wagga attendance, personnel were up. District officer and ground director J. R. Butcher said in nearly every case brigades had sent a larger number of men.

The ground is in tip-top shape for the event, and after one long-standing record going by the board so early in the week many new records are expected to be set. Firemen had arranged a very attractive official dais, well bedecked with young Norfolk Island pines, and there could be no mistaking the local theme.

The chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners, Mr B. F. Andrews, and Mrs Andrews, met Their Excellencies on their arrival at the demonstration. Mr Andrews told the gathering how proud and pleased he was on behalf of all the men assembled - and those remaining on call at home - to welcome the distinguished visitors. Joining in the welcome, Mr L. C. Jordan, M.L.A., Member for Oxley, said he had asked Police Inspector Scott had he any qualms from a security angle with the Governor's visit and his answer had been "none at all." And that is how we like it to be, he said. Mr Jordan said he was pleased to have heard His Excellency, the head of the State, enthuse about Port Macquarie.

You don't want much higher commendation than that, he said.

As the parliamentary representative for this area, he was happy to extend welcome to Their Excellencies and wish them a happy stay.

His Excellency, Sir Eric Woodward, before officially declaring open the demonstration, said thank you on behalf of himself and his wife for "your very friendly welcome to Port Macquarie."

It is a great occasion for us, too, he said; to see this unusual spectacle under such ideal conditions - on the kind of day you would have chosen yourselves.

I assure you in return, he said, we are looking forward as much as anyone here to witnessing some of your events.

The spectacle emphasised the significance and importance of the work of these volunteers who stood by for 24 hours a day. Those who gave up their time to become more proficient filled the tremendous need for the volunteer. Fighting fires is an art, said His Excellency, for each fire had to be treated differently.

There were 2500 volunteer firemen in NSW and he could not wish for a better opportunity than this to voice appreciation for the services they rendered.

Brigades were made up of odd people, and by "odd" he didn't mean someone halfway up the wall, but odd in that they came from all walks of life - from industry, commerce, farms, and the like, said His Excellency.

He said it would be impossible to estimate the savings of life and property over the many years the brigades have functioned.

In giving a sense of security to the community, they give their time and effort to a practical cause, said His Excellency.

In this really wonderful setting there will be a great deal of keen competition after months of training.

This you will see reflected in speed and efficiency, he said.

To the 66 brigades from distant parts of New South Wales, His Excellency said he knew they would be given the warmest of welcomes to this beautiful and historic resort; he hoped, too, that the interstate visitors would enjoy their stay.

Win or lose, he said, all those competing can be assured that their efforts would be a stimulus to others and a further contribution has been made to the cause of fire prevention.

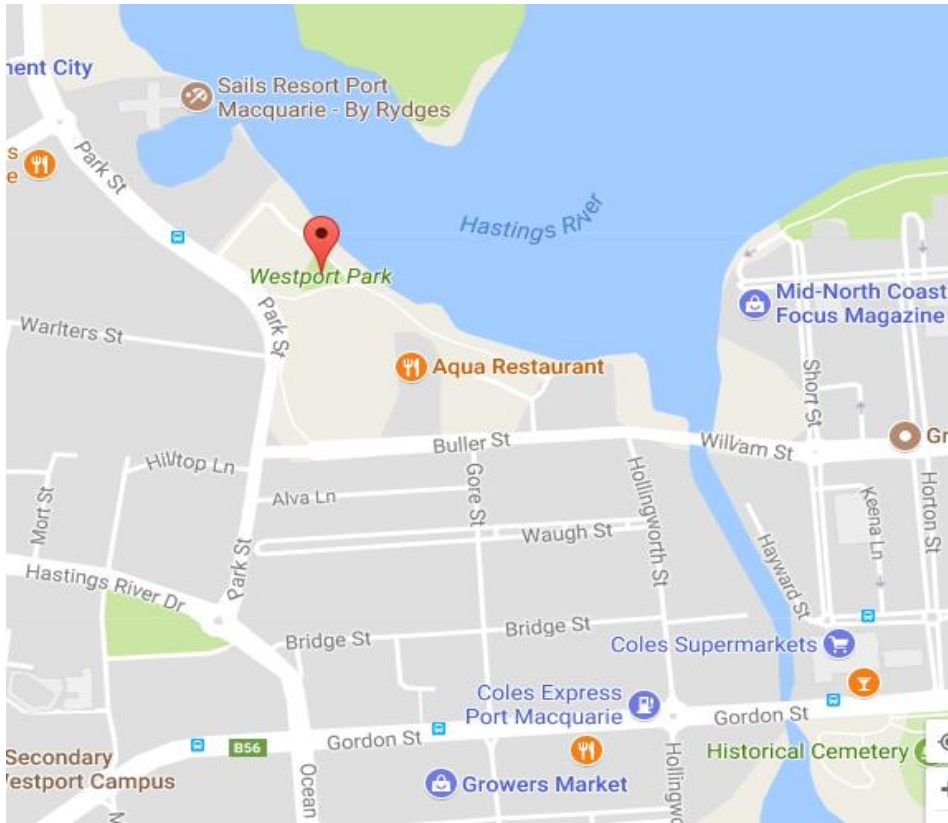


Fire Brigade's Demonstration, 1964

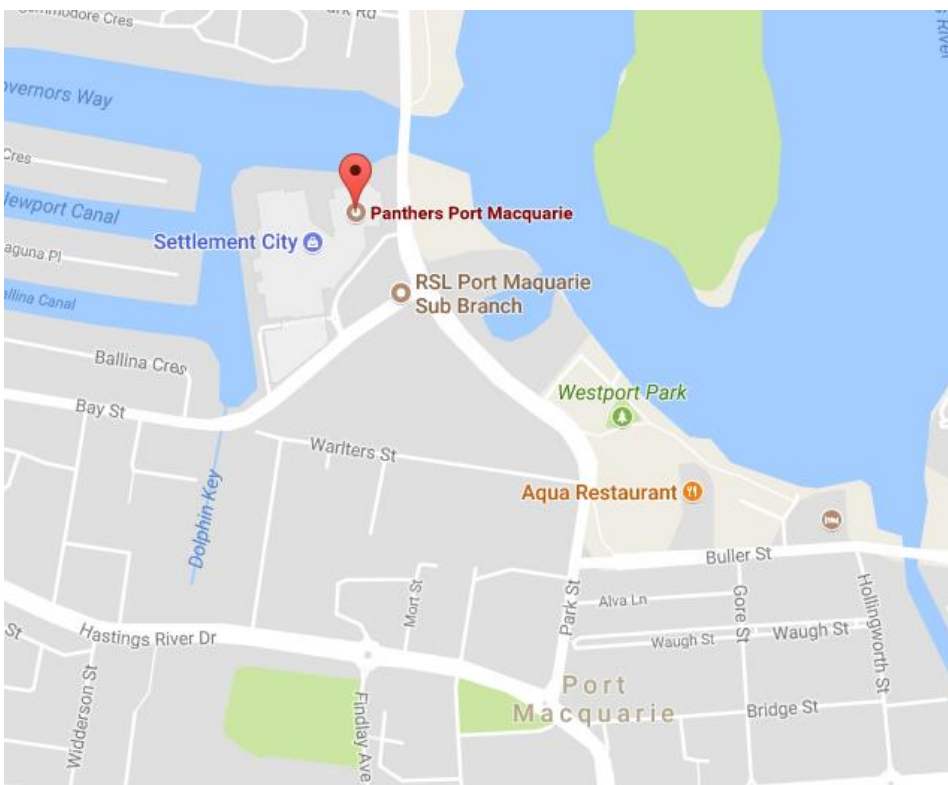
Official Schedule

Friday 18 August 2017	1800 hrs 1900 hrs	Welcome Registrations: Panthers 1 Bay Street, Port Macquarie
Saturday 19 August 2017	0630 hrs 0700 hrs 0715 hrs 0800 hrs 0845 hrs 0900 hrs 0930 hrs 1630 hrs (approx) 1700 hrs 1830hrs (for 1900 hrs)	Breakfast available at Competition Grounds Westport Park, Corner Park Street and Buller Street, Port Macquarie Meeting of Officials Warm up and exercise for competitors Safety brief to competitors Events commence Dress and form up for Official Opening Official Opening Ceremony Events resume until approximately 1630 hrs. No break for lunch. Food and drink available at the ground. De-brief of Officials Annual General Meeting Social Evening – Dinner Panthers 1 Bay Street, Port Macquarie Dress: Dress Uniform/Smart Casual
Sunday 20 August 2017	0630 hrs 0700 hrs 0715 hrs 0730 hrs 1300 hrs	Breakfast available at Competition Grounds Westport Park, Corner Park Street and Buller Street, Port Macquarie Meeting of Officials Warm up and exercise for competitors Events commence and continue until completion. No break for lunch. Food and drink available at grounds. Closing ceremony at completion of all events

Westport Park, corner Park Street and Buller Street, Port Macquarie



Panthers Port Macquarie, 1 Bay Street, Port Macquarie



Official guests

Member for Port Macquarie	Leslie Williams MP
Mayor, Port Macquarie-Hastings Council	Peta Pinson
General Manager, Port Macquarie-Hastings Council	Craig Swift-McNair
Deputy Manager, Port Macquarie-Hastings Council	Lisa Intemann
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Superintendent, District Manager, Port Macquarie Hastings-Mid Coast Office, NSW Rural Fire Service	Kam Baker
Superintendent, Local Area Commander Mid North Coast Local Area Command NSW Police Force	Paul Fehon
Region Controller, NSW State Emergency Service	Anthony Day
Elder, Birpai Local Aboriginal Land Council	Uncle Bill O'Brien

Fire & Rescue NSW

Commissioner	Paul Baxter
Assistant Commissioner Regional Operations, Director Championship	Rob McNeil AFSM
Chief Superintendent, Area Commander Region North	Gary McKinnon
Superintendent, Zone Commander Regional North 1	Stephen Hirst
Chaplain	Major Lyndsay Smith

Fire & Rescue NSW Championship Association

President FRNSW FCA	Captain Greg Fredericks AFSM
MSA, Business Development Manager	Debbie Taylor
FRSA, State Manager	Scot Sullivan

List of Events

1. Urban Pumper Collector and Ladder - 4 Competitors
2. Urban Pump Disable – 4 Competitors
3. Booster Valve and High Rise Bag – 4 Competitors
4. Ladder Practice – 1 Competitor
5. Urban Pumper BA & Foam – 4 Competitors
6. Urban Pumper and Breeching – 4 Competitors
7. Rescue – 4 Competitors
8. Hose Hydrant and Extinguisher – 3 Competitors
9. Hose and Hydrant – 4 Competitors
10. Hose and Hydrant – 2 Competitors
11. Urban Pump and Suction – 4 Competitors

Competing Teams

Brigade	Station	In Zone
Armidale	205	RN3
Goonellabah	316	RN2
Gunnedah	314	RN3
Kootingal RFS	756	RN3
Port Macquarie 1	424	RN1
Port Macquarie 2	424S	RN1
Port Macquarie 3	424-3	RN1
Uralla	475	RN3
Wingham	502	RN1
Brigade	Station	Out of Zone
Bega	219	RS1
Dubbo	280	RW1
Kelso	105	RW2
Merrylands 1	72	MW2
Merrylands 2	72S	MW2
Mittagong	378	RS2
Nowra	405	RS1
Rutherford	455	MN3
Scarborough	442	MS1
Trangie	465	RW1
Ulladulla	477	RS1
Wangi Wangi	485	MN1
Wyong	505	RS1
Brigade	Station	Visitor
Tamworth City RFS	704	Visitor
Wadalba RFS	723	Visitor
WAFA 1	757	Visitor
WAFA 2	757S	Visitor

Event 1. Urban Pumper Collector and Ladder

Objective:

To extinguish a fire on a rooftop using two lengths of 38mm hose and hydrant water through the appliance.

Core Skills:

Pump Operation, Hydrants, Breaching Piece, Ladders, Hose Handling and Branches

Equipment:

Hoses used – 1 x 70mm (10m filler hose) and 2 x 38mm flaked hose (30m)

The appliance will be stowed with two lengths of 38mm hose flaked, two shut-off branches, one 10m length of 70mm filler hose rolled on the bight, one breaching piece and one standpipe. All with storz couplings.

Order	Station	Brigade Name	Time 1	Time 2	Penalty	Penalty Code	Total
1	205	Armidale					
2	477	Ulladulla					
3	442	Scarborough					
4	424	Port Macquarie 1					
5	72	Merrylands 1					
6	219	Bega					
7	465	Trangie					
8	757	WAFA 1					
9	505	Wyong					
10	475	Uralla					
11	316	Goonellabah					
12	485	Wangi Wangi					
13	105	Kelso					
14	424S	Port Macquarie 2					
15	757S	WAFA 2					
16	405	Nowra					
17	704	Tamworth City RFS					
18	502	Wingham					
19	314	Gunnedah					
20	72S	Merrylands 2					
21	756	Kootingal RFS					
22	455	Rutherford					
23	723	Wadalba RFS					
24	280	Dubbo					
25	424-3	Port Macquarie 3					
26	378	Mittagong					

Event 2. Urban Pump Disable

Objective:

To extinguish a fire in a multi-storey building utilising hydrant water through the pump and a 38mm hose from a hose cabinet on first floor. The pump becomes disabled before the fire is extinguished so the onboard Davey pump is then utilised to complete the task, using water from the appliance first aid tank.

Core Skills:

Pump Operation, Hydrants, Breaching Piece, Ladders, Davey Pump, Hose Handling and Branches

Equipment:

Hoses used - 2 x 70mm (10m filler hose) and 2 x 38mm (30m) (1 x flaked and 1 x double rolled on bight)

The appliance will be stowed with two 10m lengths of 70mm filler hose double rolled on the bight, two 30m lengths of 38mm hose (one double rolled on the bight, the other flaked), one breaching piece, one branch and one standpipe. All with storz couplings.

Order	Station	Brigade Name	Time 1	Time 2	Penalty	Penalty Code	Total
1	205	Armidale					
2	477	Ulladulla					
3	442	Scarborough					
4	424	Port Macquarie 1					
5	72	Merrylands 1					
6	219	Bega					
7	465	Trangie					
8	757	WAFA 1					
9	505	Wyong					
10	475	Uralla					
11	316	Goonellabah					
12	485	Wangi Wangi					
13	105	Kelso					
14	424S	Port Macquarie 2					
15	757S	WAFA 2					
16	405	Nowra					
17	704	Tamworth City RFS					
18	502	Wingham					
19	314	Gunnedah					
20	72S	Merrylands 2					
21	756	Kootingal RFS					
22	455	Rutherford					
23	723	Wadalba RFS					
24	280	Dubbo					
25	424-3	Port Macquarie 3					
26	378	Mittagong					

Event 3. Booster Valve and High Rise Bag

Objective:

To extinguish a fire in a multi storey building using a boosted water system and a 38mm hose from a hose cabinet on first floor. The remote access bag is also employed to extinguish a ground level fire from the boosted system.

Core Skills:

Pump Operation, Booster Valve, Remote Access Bag, Hose Handling, Branches and Ladders

Equipment:

Hoses used – 2 x 70mm (10m filler Hose), 2 x 38mm flaked hose (30m)

The appliance will be stowed with one length of 38mm hose flaked, two 10m lengths of 70mm filler hose rolled on the bight, one high-rise bag containing one length of 38mm hose flaked and one branch. All with storz couplings

Order	Station	Brigade Name	Time 1	Time 2	Penalty	Penalty Code	Total
1	205	Armidale					
2	477	Ulladulla					
3	442	Scarborough					
4	424	Port Macquarie 1					
5	72	Merrylands 1					
6	219	Bega					
7	465	Trangie					
8	757	WAFA 1					
9	505	Wyong					
10	475	Uralla					
11	316	Goonellabah					
12	485	Wangi Wangi					
13	105	Kelso					
14	424S	Port Macquarie 2					
15	757S	WAFA 2					
16	405	Nowra					
17	704	Tamworth City RFS					
18	502	Wingham					
19	314	Gunnedah					
20	72S	Merrylands 2					
21	756	Kootingal RFS					
22	455	Rutherford					
23	723	Wadalba RFS					
24	280	Dubbo					
25	424-3	Port Macquarie 3					
26	378	Mittagong					

Event 4. Ladder Practice

Objective:

This event hones the skills of the firefighter in quickly ascending a ladder to gain access to an upper level of a building.

Core Skills:

Ladders

Equipment:

There is no equipment for this event other than that which is set up on the track. Brigade work trousers are to be worn but other than that competitors may wear a singlet, team T-shirt, shirt etc and they can also wear boots or shoes. (No specification on colour)

<i>Order</i>	<i>Station</i>	<i>Brigade Name</i>	<i>Time 1</i>	<i>Penalty</i>	<i>Penalty Code</i>	<i>Total</i>
1	105	Kelso 1				
2	205	Armidale 1				
3	219	Bega 1				
4	280	Dubbo 1				
5	314	Gunnedah 1				
6	316	Goonellabah 1				
7	378	Mittagong 1				
8	405	Nowra 1				
9	424	Port Macquarie 1 1				
10	424-3	Port Macquarie 3 1				
11	424S	Port Macquarie 2 1				
12	442	Scarborough 1				
13	455	Rutherford 1				
14	465	Trangie 1				
15	475	Uralla 1				
16	477	Ulladulla 1				
17	485	Wangi Wangi 1				
18	502	Wingham 1				
19	505	Wyong 1				
20	704	Tamworth City RFS 1				
21	72	Merrylands 1 1				
22	723	Wadalba RFS 1				
23	72S	Merrylands 2 1				
24	756	Kootingal RFS 1				
25	757	WAFA 1 1				
26	757S	WAFA 2 1				
27	105	Kelso 2				
28	205	Armidale 2				
29	219	Bega 2				
30	280	Dubbo 2				

31	314	Gunnedah 2
32	316	Goonellabah 2
33	378	Mittagong 2
34	405	Nowra 2
35	424	Port Macquarie 1 2
36	424-3	Port Macquarie 3 2
37	424S	Port Macquarie 2 2
38	442	Scarborough 2
39	455	Rutherford 2
40	465	Trangie 2
41	475	Uralla 2
42	477	Ulladulla 2
43	485	Wangi Wangi 2
44	502	Wingham 2
45	505	Wyong 2
46	704	Tamworth City RFS 2
47	72	Merrylands 1 2
48	723	Wadalba RFS 2
49	72S	Merrylands 2 2
50	756	Kootingal RFS 2
51	757	WAFA 1 2
52	757S	WAFA 2 2