

## Annual President Reports

I would like to acknowledge and thank you all for giving up your time to be here and the time you give all year.

Since our last general meeting held in Brisbane we have seen the building of the fusion cruiser and the donation to Murphys Creek Brigade of the Innovation Platform (G Wagon).

The Fusion Cruiser has been on show at AFAC Conference Adelaide with much interest shown by many brigade members and fire people from other states and at this time is now in full travel mode across QLD.

Today we edge closer to knowing the outcomes of the QFES review and the direction Rural Fire will take.

To day due to the lack of consultation and respect shown to the RFBAQ both on the type and placement of signs we as reps must decide on do we maintain the offer of the \$500.000 towards roadside electronic Fire Danger Ratings Signs or do we look at another option of a grants to all brigades.

Many changes down in Kedron as AC John Bolger will retire next September 23 and took leave as of Friday 2/22 till date of retirement his replacement is AC Matt Bulow also taking on role of DC will be AC Greenwood.

With the outcomes of the review lets hope we will see the end of rural fire run by Fire & Rescue staff .

In closing may i remind you all next year is election time and you need to consider your future for the next 3 years.

Please enjoy Townsville and it is great catching up with you all.