



SES

STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE - KALBARRI

May 2011

Operational Call Outs - April:- None as at going to press (A rest from previous hectic months - 18 operations since mid December - all over the state from Broome to York..)

Training.

A search and rescue scenario was setup with teams being transported across the river and having to search for an 'injured victim' in the dark. The 'victim' had to be extracted from between narrow rock crevices and then transported by stretcher to the flood boat and hence back to the jetty on the town side of the river.

Course success.

Probably the hardest, most intense and difficult course to pass in the SES is the Cliff Rescue Team Leaders course.

The responsibilities of a Cliff Rescue Team Leader are huge. This high risk rescue situation has to be really well thought out and controlled by someone who knows what they are doing, has experience and can make correct decisions in high stress situations, without compromising the safety of the members of the SES team or the safety and well being of the person being rescued.

The team leaders qualifying course was held in Exmouth over 3 long days of hard stressful scenarios devised by instructors with many years of cliff rescue experience.

Steve Duncan from Kalbarri was one of the only two trainees who passed this course.

Steve joined the SES in 2006 to learn abseiling and to become a member of the rope rescue and cliff rescue team. Nearly five years of training in many SES disciplines and acquiring skills and confidence in his own abilities has enabled Steve to now be in the position to be able to teach the skills he has mastered to the other guys and girls in the Kalbarri SES unit. - [Mac Holt]



May 2011 training schedule :-

Date	Time	Activity	Organiser(s)
Thursday 5th	1800	Communications Course.	Steve/Rae/Mac
Sunday 8th	0800	Communications Course (continued)	Steve/Rae/Mac
Monday 9th	1845	Round Robin—New Comm's radios and Roof Safety	Steve/Mac/SteveD
Monday 16th	18:45	Round Robin GPS (HEMA), Map & Compass Review	Steve/Rae/Mac
Monday 30th	1845	Exercise Scenario	Steve

Want to learn new skills? - Are you up to the challenge ? - Then phone 0417994277.