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CFS Volunteers Honoured

Country Fire Service (CFS) volunteers from the local regions were honoured at a ceremony held in Gawler on Friday night.

A number of volunteers received CFS Service Medals while some were recipients of the National Medal.

Light MP Mr Tony Piccolo attended the ceremony. The CFS Service Medals were presented by CFS Deputy Chief Officer Andrew Lawson, while the National Medals were presented by CFS Chief Officer Euan Ferguson.

Mr Piccolo said the CFS Service Medal is awarded for meritorious service and is presented for 10 years of diligent service to the South Australian Country Fire Service.

Mr Piccolo said the National Medal recognises long and diligent service by members of emergency service organisations who provide invaluable assistance to the community during times of crisis.

“This includes government organisations such as ambulance, correctional services, emergency, fire and police forces, and voluntary organisations such as lifesaving or search and rescue groups.”

Mr Piccolo said the the National Medal is Australia’s most awarded civilian medal.

“CFS volunteers give a lot of time freely to protect the community without any expectation of reward or recognition”

“At times they put their lives on the line”

Mr Piccolo said it was appropriate that ceremonies be held to acknowledge the selfless contribution CFS volunteers make.

Volunteers from the Angaston, Barossa, Light, Para, Gilbert, Gumeracha, Yorke Valley and Wakefield Plains Groups were eligible for medals at the presentation.