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FIRE SEASON IS WITH US AGAIN

Are you prepared this Summer?

Anyone who lives in the bush or near bush needs to be prepared. Don't leave it until the last minute.

Check your roof and deck for leaves and twigs and remove any dry material, which may act as fuel for any possible fire.

Make sure there is adequate defensible space around your house, that is, areas where fire fighters can work without threat of fire.

Have a look around your house for areas where sparks or embers may enter and remove any nearby fuel source.

Store fuels in a safe area, preferably locked up in a building away from the bush and any possible threat.

Utilise current conditions to prepare your property for any possible fires.

When planting trees & shrubs around your house make sure they are isolated rather than clumped together in order to

minimise the chance of a fire taking hold and jumping from plants to your home.

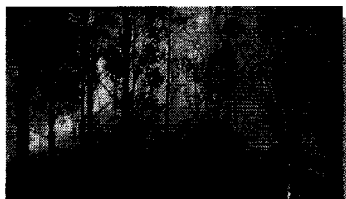
Keep caravans and other objects that could carry a fire a reasonable distance from your home.

Discuss with your family members whether you will stay and defend your home or leave when a fire is threatening.

If you do intend to stay and fight make certain you have appropriate clothes.

If you intend to evacuate, do so before smoke from the fire becomes a hazard to driving conditions.

For people wanting more information please contact Tas Fire Service for free DVD and brochure.



Bushfires can hit at anytime.



Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas & safe New Year

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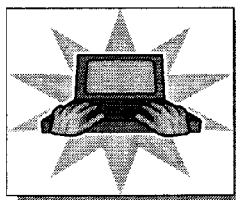
My New Website

I am very excited to advise my new website is up and running.

Any feedback would be welcome.

Features include speeches, photos, publications, details of the work of Parliamentary committees and upcoming events.

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Glamorgan Spring Bay

Launch of Freycinet Coast Tourism Board

I was pleased to participate in the recent launch of the new Freycinet Coast Tourism Board held recently at the prize winning property "Avalon". The Board aims to increase visitation numbers, expenditure and length of stay along the Freycinet Coast. A fresh, new, interactive



web-site is a great feature and worth checking out. The State Government has supported this initiative through its partnership with Glamorgan Spring Bay Council.

Heather, Gill Parssey and Neil McDermott

Meander Valley

Westbury Street Makeover

The historic town's main street is to be transformed as a result of a State and Local Government project. The Meander Valley Council has undertaken considerable community consultation and there was significant local involvement in the project.



Patrick Gamble, Annette Barrett, Heather & Graham Dent & Friends

My Christmas Message

It has been a busy year meeting new people, renewing acquaintances and listening to concerns from all over our beautiful electorate of Lyons. My favourite parts of the job being a parliamentarian is advocating for constituents and encouraging the development of initiatives. I encourage you to make contact if you have any problems or ideas in connection with the State Government.

My best wishes and I do hope that Christmas brings all of you and your families happiness and peace and that 2008 is a year of good health.



Break O' Day

St Helens

Heather presented St Helens Croquet Club President, Norma Taylor, with Premiers' Grant for the purchase of equipment for the new croquet court which the club has constructed. Enjoying a game with Mary Richardson & Norma Taylor



West Coast

Queenstown Golf Club: Heather presenting acknowledgement of a Community Grant to members John Hatton, Graeme Lynch and Alan Fisher.



Tasman

Tasman Council turns 100

Activities and events held on the birthday were based on five basic themes. They were: community history, arts and entertainment, town beautification, a major event, and Council history.

Lola Smith and Heather cutting the cake at the celebrations for 100 Years of Tasman Council.

