

STEWART GERMAINE – YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL

CFS Volunteers Association – YAC REPORT

INTRODUCTION

To inform members of the CFS Volunteers Association Management Committee on the activities of the CFS Youth Advisory Council.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report be received.

COMMENT

Youth Volunteer Trainers

Scott Turner met with us regarding Training in the CFS and his enthusiasm for encouraging more young people to become youth trainers. YAC will be directly encouraging young people to apply up the chain of the command to become trainers or assistants within CFS. YAC will be developing a plan for this which may differ from Region to Region.

Youth Mentoring Program

Region 1 is looking at establishing a youth mentorship program which would likely be established from the middle of next year and run as a trial. Other Regions may also consider adopting something similar depending on how successful it is. There is the potential that a local R1 YAC body or similar may be created after the trial if there is enough interest.

Youth Programs

The YAC will be encouraging young CFS members to participate in youth programs such as Rotary Club's RYLA and the YMCA's Youth Parliament. The YAC will be contacting those groups to set up a more formal relationship.

CFS Uniform

The YAC is looking to develop a more formal position on uniforms including colour, type and branding.

AFAC Conference

Kirstie McGarrity, Ruth Tovo and Stewart Germaine presented in front of 70ish EM Staff and Volunteers. Whilst there were a few nerves beforehand, the presentation went off without a hitch, and everyone seemed to enjoy the content presented.