



PARLIAMENT OF NEW SOUTH WALES  
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

**FIRST SESSION OF THE FIFTY-SEVENTH PARLIAMENT**

**Community Recognition Statement**

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22 June 2021

**NSW FIRE AND RESCUE OPEN DAY**

**Ms SONIA HORNERY ( Wallsend ) :**

In May, Fire and Rescue stations at Tarro, Minmi, Wallsend, and Cardiff opened their engine bay doors to the public for a COVID-safe open day, to huge success.

Local community organisations provided sausage sizzles and coffee to feed the attendees and a variety of fire safety demonstrations were available, including a kitchen fire simulation which was a big hit.

Hundreds of kids, big and small, spent hours climbing over the trucks and playing with the equipment.

Thank you to the crew from Tarro including, Captain Ian Smith (deceased), Deputy Captain Scott Pyne, Acting Deputy Captain Brett Mate, Retained Firefighters Peter McGee, Scott Ford, Gavin Hawes, John Thorne, Brodie Verschoor, the Minmi crew, including Captain Evan Downing, Retained Firefighters Daniel Boag, Royce Pearce, Craig Allan, Graham Moore, Phil Aitkin, the Wallsend crew, including Deputy Captain Graham Thorpe, Retained Firefighters Jason Bridge, Callan Newbey, Rod Cavallaro, Dominic Cavallaro, James Turner, Mark Dempsey, Mick Hodges and the Cardiff crew, including Captain Rhys Elsmore, Retained Firefighters Adam Brown, Shane Jones, Matt Dugan, Luke Collins, Adam Thompson, Marshal Nies, Lachlan Hetherington, Hamish Daley-Beggs.

Thank you for a wonderful day that was had by all.