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Stuart Hoskins
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Dear Mr Hoskins

Thank you for your recent letter outlining Denmark River Probus Club's support for the Shadrach Burnover Protection Unit being developed by Ocean Beach Bush Fire Brigade Member, Mr Chris Probert. Terry has asked me to reply to your letter on his behalf.

In November 2015, Terry was very interested to receive a personal briefing on the Shadrach Burnover Protection Unit from Mr Probert and Mr Bill Plyley, also from the Ocean Beach BFB. Terry was very impressed with their briefing and the innovative fire safety initiative they outlined.

Terry is aware Mr Probert is working to gain the necessary compliance and accreditation for the unit and in this regard, is working with the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) and Department of Parks and Wildlife (DPaW) to bring the unit to testing phase. Mr Probert is keeping Terry informed about his progress.

CSIRO approval is mandatory and requires rigorous and thorough testing by that organisation. It is our understanding that DFES has provided some funding towards the costs associated with the CSIRO testing, which may be carried out in the coming summer season.

Mr Probert has also advised Terry he has booked a stand at the Australian Fire and Emergency Service Authorities Council (AFAC) 2016 Expo in Brisbane in August. This will provide an ideal opportunity to widely showcase the unit to other governments and organisations involved in fire fighting and fire protection.

Once again, thank you for taking the time to write to Terry to express the Club's support for Mr Probert and the Shadrach Burnover Protection Unit.

Yours sincerely



Jeanette Trent
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