ATTACHMENT ONE

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22 incidents since 1/7/24.

20 of these were active incidents, with the other 2 being false, or active fire not found.

The 20 active burns were all from poorly contained fires, burns which escaped due to poor planning when ignited, or burns ignited by conducting "risky" activities without any fire fighting equipment on site.

Hence brigades have been busy on callouts, particularly lately, when people are very very busy on their own seasonal work.

The risky activity includes such things as whipper snippers etc in dry conditions with no fire equipment on site at all!

Education and information to the public has been initiated through the shire to prompt people into thinking more of the possibility of fire ignition and/or fire containment, although we have had incidents since some of this has been put in place.

Reviews are done on all fires to ascertain whether there needs to be shire ranger intervention, cost recovery or education.

Although accidents do occur, It is very frustrating the amount of hours tied up in some peoples flippancy and hence callouts.

Education of the local shire residents is something of major importance which I will continue to pursue to improve.