



# Media Release

Victoria State Emergency Service

## VICSES celebrates Father's Day: It's a family affair with the McArthurs

**Friday 31 August 2018**

Doug McArthur has been a volunteer with the Victoria State Emergency Service (VICSES) for more than 30 years.

For a decade Doug has been the Dunkeld Unit Controller, during his esteemed career he's responded to several major incidents, including the Black Saturday bushfires in 2009.

He's even been named lifetime member of his unit.

On top of all that, Doug is a loving husband and father of three children and it seems volunteering with VICSES is a family affair within the McArthur household!

Doug's wife, Mary-Jane and their son Will, are also members of the Dunkeld Unit.

24-year-old Will McArthur joined as a junior member eight years ago and now works side-by-side his dad.

Doug's story is one of many that highlight our wonderful volunteers, some of which are Dad's who give up their precious time on Father's Day to help their community.

It's volunteers like Doug that make VICSES the organisation it is today.

From all of us at VICSES - happy Father's Day to each and every dad.

For information on how to volunteer with VICSES, visit [www.ses.vic.gov.au](http://www.ses.vic.gov.au).

### **Quotes attributable to Doug McArthur, VICSES Dunkeld Unit Controller**

*"I love being able to volunteer alongside my wife and son. I couldn't be more proud of them and their dedication to help the community."*

*"Volunteering with VICSES has been a fantastic experience, the skills I've learned and the friends I've made will last a lifetime."*

### **Quotes attributable to Will McArthur, VICSES Dunkeld Unit Volunteer (Doug's son)**

*"It's great to volunteer at VICSES and support the community with my dad. He's an inspiration to our family and an important leader at our unit."*

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