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NHW Update – June 2018. Advice from SES (being prepared for an Emergency)

Hi Salt neighbours.

I hope everyone is safe and well. Please let me know if you have anything to share with our neighbours about local happenings, crime or safety advice etc. as well as positive stories which I am always happy to pass on.

I have recently attended a meeting with guest speakers from local SES (State Emergency Services), so thought I would share some information on phone numbers and advice on being prepared for an Emergency prior to our next storm/cyclone season.

Phone SES for Emergency help in flood, storm and tsunami – Ph: 132 500

In life-threatening Emergencies - Call TRIPLE ZERO (000)

Police Assistance Line: 131 444

Bushfire Info Line: 1800 679 737

Following a destructive storm, SES can help with:

- A tree threatening to fall on your property or driveway;
- If a fallen tree has blocked access to your door, driveway, road;
- If your roof is damaged or leaking;
- If there is damage to your property that you cannot fix yourself.

Call: 132 500 - Your request for assistance will be logged by SES operations centre who will give a reference number. Your request will then be forwarded on to the nearest SES unit for action.

(NSW SES Volunteers undertake temporary measures to make your home and the situation safe.)

SES advise that it's a good idea to have a HOME EMERGENCY KIT.

It should contain:

- Portable radio with spare batteries
- Torch with spare batteries
- First Aid Kit
- Candles and waterproof matches
- Important papers including emergency contact numbers
- Waterproof bag for valuables

If you have to evacuate, add to your KIT:

- Medications
- Any special requirements for babies, the disabled, elderly
- Strong shoes/protective clothing
- Food and drinks/essential toiletries

(Keep in a waterproof storage box) - Check regularly and replace any out-of-date items such as batteries etc.

Also if you are evacuating and taking your pet:
Collar and leash, Pet food and bed/blanket, Poo bags.

Never enter or travel through flood water. This includes walking, driving, riding and playing in floodwater. Entering flood water is the leading cause of death during floods.

To help households and businesses plan for flooding, the NSW SES has developed Home and Business FloodSafe Toolkits. These are available free of charge from your local NSW SES unit or at:
www.floodsafe.com

For more information call NSW SES on: 1800 201 000

NSW SES welcomes new volunteers to assist in a wide range of activities.

Please feel free to invite new neighbours to be part of our NHW group and pass on my email/mobile).

Regards

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