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Volunteer emergency services get a fitness boost

The fitness of local emergency service volunteers has received a boost thanks to a donation from Premier Coal.

The coal miner has donated exercise equipment it no longer requires to the Collie Volunteer Fire and Rescue Service.

Captain Shane Hickson said the health and fitness of the service's volunteers was critical to their ability to respond appropriately to any emergency that presented.

“We're very grateful to Premier for the various pieces of gym equipment it has donated”, he said. “I am confident our volunteers will put the equipment to good use and that the broader community will benefit in the long run.”

Mr Hickson said the Collie Volunteer Fire and Rescue Service had been extremely busy responding to 118 incidents, ranging from car crashes to cat rescues, so far this financial year. The service has 16 volunteers aged from 28 to 61.

Premier Coal General Manager Glenn Burlinson said it was a pleasure to be able to assist such an important service and such dedicated volunteers.

Photo Caption: Collie Volunteer Fire and Rescue members and Premier Coal employees Ray Bertolini and Jamie Wood try out some of the newly donated exercise equipment.

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