

DEVON BBV/FPA
AGM 8 MAY 2019

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DEVON FPA

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3.1 Accomplishments 2018

- 3.1.1 The Devon FPA was registered as a Non-Profit Organization with CIPC (2018/341136/08)
- 3.1.2 Launched a web site www.devonfpa.co.za
- 3.1.3 The FPA Constitution was translated into English and included Nigel as a Sector
- 3.1.4 Membership grew from 34 members to 60 (Devon-42 and Nigel-18)
- 3.1.5 Established membership numbers and issued certificates
- 3.1.6 Changed our banking practices to Internet banking
- 3.1.7 The "List of Guilty Fines" for fire offences was endorsed by the Heidelberg and Nigel courts
- 3.1.8 Working on Fire gave Basic fire fighting training to 60 farm workers
- 3.1.9 Improved working relationship with Lesedi Fire, FDI communication

3.2 Rules 2019

- 3.2.1 Two changes to the Rules A) No Burning during a cold front
B) Burning of animal camps and contours out of season contact area Leader
- 3.2.2 Firebreaks to be completed end June, openings during July may be considered pending conditions
- 3.2.3 During a fire, pending the magnitude it is request that farmers make Water Refilling Points available for farmers assisting in extinguishing the fire.
- 3.2.4 A formal requested to access to Devon fire hydrants has been submitted to our Fire Department.

3.3 Fire Breaks

- 3.3.1 Lesedi has been requested to do fire breaks x2 graveyards, x2 land fill sites, water treatment plant and areas around the township. They will take responsibility for municipal owned areas
- 3.3.2 There was limited success last year with burning of the N17 due to lack of support.
This will be reviewed.

3.3 Standby bakkie 650L water skids

We received 3 motor/pump units from GUFPA. One was given to the Nigel Sector. We will purchase tanks (Bakkie Skid 650L) and have the units on standby for members.

3.4 Enforcement of the fire offences

- 3.4.1 GUFPA is assisting in getting Police Department involved
- 3.4.2 Seeking clarity on Peace Officer training and appointment
- 3.4.3 The fines apply to everyone including members (see the list www.devonfpa.co.za)

3.5 Communication with Emergency Services

- 3.5.1 The Contact Centre must be contacted **016-341-4327** or **016-330-0400**
(The call is recorded and the case is logged)
- 3.5.2 The standby cell number for the Fire Engine can after logging the case be contacted **082-564-6817**
- 3.5.3 A member of the public will be charged according to Lesedi Tariff Schedule for any call out.
- 3.5.4 A member of the FPA EXCO may call for standby fire engine/s in an a emergency at no charge, if assistance is given it will be charged

3.6 Risk Assessments

- 3.6.1 Fire Risk Assessments done by Malcolm Proctor (DAFF-Free State)
- 3.6.2 See attached fire statistics from the fires we reported last year

3.7 Draft Cross Border Agreement

- 3.7.1 Extending our FPA border into Mpumalanga will be problematic

3.7.2 In the process of negotiating a "Cross Border Agreement" with the three bordering FPA's
Please see Annexure B with the draft proposal

3.8 "Nigel" Sector

Lukas Stoltz is in the process of setting up the Sector. DAFF is trying to get Heidelberg to re-establish FPA

3.9 Satellite Fire Station

Hope on the horizon - we have been informed that a custom build fire engine has been ordered for for the re-establishment of the Devon Satellite Fire Station. Funding is coming from Provincial, time line is still unknown.

3.10 Weather Stations

Izak de Langer is loaning the FPA two weather stations that will be set up in Devon.
Our FPO Clement Masinge has been of great assistance in this matter. He is currently dealing with government processes to have one of the weather stations set up at the Devon Prison

5. Financial Matters

5.1 AFS for the 2018/2019 season

Income

Devon - R47,703

Nigel - R15,313

Expenses to be shared

Financial Audits (x2 years) and CIPC registration - R4,300

Bank Charges - R1,571

Maps - R350

Hosting DAFF for Risk Assessments - R1,200

Web design and hosting - R5,221

Total - R12,642

5.2 GUFPA sponsored x3 motor/pump units. One has been given to Nigel. Devon will purchase tanks/frame for the two units to have two standby units available for members.

5.3 The Exco members will meet to discuss the budget for 2019/2020

6 Other Matters

6.1 There are no bi-laws with respect to fire breaks for Lesedi.

6.2 "Fake News" or in fact any rumours from social media must not be shared on our groups. Member must please assist and influence colleagues.

6.3 Barbara will be on leave and overseas for a few weeks, the Area Leaders are available

6.4 Jacob vd Westhuizen previously a Area leader is now falling in the "Nigel" Sector. Louw Basson has kindly accepted the Exco request for him to take over the leadership of Jacobs area.
Between Louw and Bertus they will split the area and advise accordingly

6.5 Our web site is available www.devonfpa.co.za Currently I am adding and making changes, if you revisit the site press F5 to refresh the changes. Please note there are three strips on the top left side of the page, if you press this there are other documents to view.

6.6 Concern was raised with respect to communication and working together with the "Nigel" Sector. This is a relationship that needs to be developed, teething problems are expected. Any member wishing to be included on the "Nigel" Sector groups must please contact Lukas Stoltz Jnr 072-906-6350

ANNEXURE A

**FIRE STATISTICS reported to GUFPA/DAFF
DEVON FPA
2018/2019 FIRE SEASON**

NUMBER OF REPORTED FIRES								
Probable Cause	May-18	Jun-18	Jul-18	Aug-18	Sep-18	Oct-18	Total	
1 Arson		7	3	2	4		16	35%
2 Unknown				4	3		7	15%
3 Lightning Strike					4	3	7	15%
4 Vehicle Issue Road			4	1			5	11%
5 Farmers Illegally Burning		1		1		2	4	9%
6 Worker throwing out coal			2	1			3	7%
7 Transnet Contractor cutting cables					1		1	2%
8 Tractor exhaust		1					1	2%
9 Grinding Disk	1						1	2%
10 Short power box						1	1	2%
Grand Total	1	9	9	9	12	6	46	

TOTAL HA BURNED/LOST								
Probable Cause	May-18	Jun-18	Jul-18	Aug-18	Sep-18	Oct-18	Total	
1 Arson		255	202	45	182		684	26%
2 Grinding Disk	569						569	22%
3 Lightning Strike					453	52	505	19%
4 Farmers Illegally Burning		210		10		101	321	12%
5 Unknown				141	42		183	7%
6 Tractor exhaust		160					160	6%
7 Worker throwing out coal			110	10			120	5%
8 Transnet Contractor cutting cables					60		60	2%
9 Vehicle Issue Road			3	30			33	1%
10 Short power box						2	2	0,1%
Grand Total	569	625	316	236	737	155	2 637	

ESTIMATED COST OF THE LOSS								
Probable Cause	May-18	Jun-18	Jul-18	Aug-18	Sep-18	Oct-18	Total	
1 Arson		R977 701	R221 250	R54 000	R490 200		R1 743 151	44%
2 Lightning Strike					R604 100	R65 600	R669 700	17%
3 Grinding Disk	R596 500						R596 500	15%
4 Farmers Illegally Burning		R220 000		R10 400		R121 200	R351 600	9%
5 Unknown				R162 800	R65 400		R228 200	6%
6 Tractor exhaust		R170 000					R170 000	4%
7 Worker throwing out coal			R122 600	R13 000			R135 600	3%
8 Transnet Contractor cutting cables					R61 200		R61 200	2%
9 Vehicle Issue Road			R6 051	R34 400			R40 451	1%
10 Short power box						R2 100	R2 100	0,1%
Grand Total	R596 500	R1 367 701	R349 901	R274 600	R1 220 900	R188 900	R3 998 502	

ANNEXURE B

CROSS BORDER AGREEMENT

BETWEEN THE DEVON FPA AND SURROUNDING MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

2019/2020 FIRE SEASON

The agreement is applicable to land owners residing or having lands in the Mpumalanga province, as highlighted on the Devon FPA map (www.devonfpa.co.za)

Areas participating in the agreement are detailed below

FPA	Municipality	Closest Town
Dipaleseng FPA	Dipaleseng	Balfour
Delmas FPA	Victor Kanye	Delmas
Highveld East FPA	Govan Mbeki	Leandra

The Devon FPA will administrate the effected members.

Members will pay their membership fee to DevonFPA/Nigel Sector, the annual cost of R1.00/ha minimum R300

A supplementary application form detailing the hectars (Ha) of land in each area will need to be completed by the member. The document will serve as the application to the respective FPA in the Mpumalanga province and from the Ha the membership fee to the respective FPA will be determined.

The Devon FPA will from the levy received transfer a portion of the respective member's annual levy directly to the participating FPA who will issue a receipt which would serve as proof of membership. The portion to be paid over will be negotiated individually with each FPA.

The member will :-

- Be legally protected from prosecution from contravention against the NVFFA in both Gauteng and Mpumalanga, as per the farms detailed in their application.
- Have full membership in all the applicable FPA's
- Have the option of participate in either FPA meetings or choice to participate in one.
- Be required to follow the Devon FPA rules (www.devonfpa.co.za)

The agreement is to be reviewed and renewed annually.