Bushfire Resilience Inc. Webinar 3 2022

Your last resort options



Feedback Survey

Q9 - Please provide details of the most informative parts of the webinar

- Comparison of bunkers above / below ground i.e. 'above' difficult to control temperature 'below' difficult to control humidity. My own bunker is good at keeping cool but I suspect the RH is very high. How good protection can be offered by car in case of last resort.
- 2 Heat and impacts and aspects of personal shelter characteristics.
- The speakers/presenters were excellent. They spoke from understanding both the science and real life situations.
- The clear explanation of why people die in a bushfire from Jim McLennan and where they die from Justin Leonard, and what you can do to prevent that outcome The hierarchy of last resort options Health issues, including for older people, of staying up to an hour in a bunker The safe use of a car located in open space as a last resort. Best practice pre-entry, entry and exit strategy for bunker.
- 5 Practical advice on the best places/ways to shelter in a last resort situation.
- 6 Last resort safety and the use of a car in an open space.
- 7 So much solid information and facts. Very knowledgeable presenters and explained all of the information extremely well.
- 8 Actions that need to be aware of.
- 9 Distance needed from fuel source and that underneath of car is weak spot.
- Had thought about bunkers for a few years. The detail discussed about bunkers was excellent and need to talk with the family and will watch tonight's webinar again when available on your website.
- The data showing what happens to a person inside a bunker. Also the information regarding your best options if everything else fails.
- 12 Shelter options.
- Realistic path of possible action presented. Very clear on what is not recommended. Perhaps we can now form a plan in case of a fire threat e.g. from Plenty Gorge area.
- 14 Very helpful information regarding last resort strategies, especially: cars, distance required from fire and vegetation. Bunkers. How stress responses may seriously affect behaviour and need for rehearsal of any plans. Need to have multiple plans to cover various scenarios.
- The hierarchy of survival options and the discussion that followed in which these options were elaborated.

- The effect on the human body of heat. The technical information about fire bunkers.
- Presentation by Dr Leonard was interesting in as much as understanding the physics, but left me asking "So what? What action should I take?" Presentation by Dr Gordon was good. Practise, practise all possible scenarios! Discussion on shelter priorities was good.
- I thoroughly enjoyed the speaker's experience, suggestions and the upcoming developments that are in the pipeline.
- 19 The data on deaths and the research on conditions inside a bunker.
- 20 A lot of clear and concise information.
- Exact conditions in a bunker. Leaving the burning house, just what you would experience. First hand account of son and father how they survived in a "ditch?" 10cm wasn't it!!
- 22 Learning more about bushfire bunkers.
- Informative areas included how hot a fire can become to melt plastics in a vehicle. Leaving nowhere to escape to. Also, presentation that introduced the relevance of bunkers in a hostile environment.
- 24 All speakers gave very clear, precise and relevant information.
- 25 Detailed info about meeting a bushfire.
- I thought most of the material presented was excellent. Particularly the use of a car in a cleared area as protection if all else fails, the way most people have died in a bushfire and how to avoid this, and the need to really properly design a bunker.
- 27 Bunker info.
- The human reaction to stress in a bushfire situation and the in-depth detail about bushfire bunkers.
- 29 Dr Jim McLennan's presentation.
- 30 First hand bushfire experience.
- How hot a bushfire can be and how to protect yourself from that heat if you are caught out in a fire. Understanding that water is a conductor and don't wet your clothing.
- Very detailed explanations of how and why people die in severe bushfires. Confronting and rarely explained in such detail, but potentially life-saving information that allows people to make better decisions if caught in a bad situation. Good technical discussion on bunkers and internal environment considerations. Again excellent information for those using or considering using a bunker for protection during a severe bushfire.
- Really good and all speakers were to the point!! All straight forward information without any "hype or equivocation" Justin's answer "that is not a scientific question" was well done. Too many advisers these days are afraid to state the facts and waffle around with politics and "popuralism" Well done!
- Practise till it is ingrained in brain and doesn't need thinking in panic mode. Distances for clear spaces. Carbon dioxide levels in contained spaces.

- Understanding last resort actions, but the importance of practising a plan (which we do not have but will have within the next few weeks including having some essentials packed and having a calendar note to check the contents every quarter. Thanks so much for all the information we are new into a BAL FZ rating environment and chipping away at all the actions we need to have in place to best place ourselves and our home in a position of fire resilience.
- 36 Shelter ideas.
- 37 Stories of personal experience, amazing scientific data from all speakers especially Justin Leonard.
- All were informative & important. Least relevant to me was bunkers but info interesting & sobering.
- 39 All of it. Thanks.
- I found the whole webinar informative. The information about radiant heat and the affects on a human body as well as the information about bunkers were things I wasn't aware of.
- Safe havens in the event of bushfire. Thinking about all possible scenarios especially the unexpected before the bushfire season. What preparations we could make in our situation and know we must leave early as neither of us could withstand the imminent attack.
- 42 Reaction to stress, tunnel vision, causes of death.
- 43 All of it.
- The idea of being caught in a bushfire terrifies me but with every webinar I watch I feel more confident and my plan is evolving. I feel much more confident about what to do as a last resort now especially since it's the chosen option from experts and people who have experienced it.
- Justin's talk about bunkers was eye opening but wasn't what I wanted to hear wrt "last resort options" because my reading of the title was "ok you are stuck at home/outside etc what's your last resort option to consider?" This question was what I wanted to talk about. The effects on the body was eye opening too and was a good intro. To make sure you do indeed consider your place of last resort!
- Justin's account of the research about sheltering in a confined space with limited air supply, especially the negative effects of increased humidity on the body's ability to cool via evaporation of sweat.
- 47 Details around survival techniques but also what bunkers do or do not work and why.
- The session explaining how incredibly hot it can become through just radiant heat, reinforcing my decision to leave the night before. Q&A's also good with input from the different expert perspectives.
- 49 All.
- 50 All excellent.
- 51 It was all great. Jim McLelland and Justin Leonard are great presenters.
- 52 Facts on bunkers, science of how people perish in fires.

- Ways of dying and risks of bushfires. Bunker strengths and weaknesses.
- Real life experiences given.
- Bunker info and body behaviour in the bunker.
- I like the fire stats from Jim, the first presenter.
- 57 Physical effects of bushfire on the human body and on structures.
- The facts on how you can get harmed. Prior to this I didn't understand why people didn't survive when they stayed at home.
- Information about where and where not to shelter in a bushfire.