

Understand your bushfire risk



Feedback Survey

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

- 1 Tree-lined road escape route evaluation very valuable.
- 2 Methods of seeking shelter from bushfires.
- 3 Houses in valleys are at greater risk. The star rating presentation highlighted numerous places for potential ember attack.
- 4 Ember attack vulnerabilities of dwellings/sheds. The new fire rating system information. The detailed fire risk mapping that CSIRO is doing.
- 5 Topography considerations, to think about my property in regards to a 10km circumference. Embers, regarding air vents in eaves and under decking. To look at the property and say where does debris collect normally from the winds, because this is where embers will blow to. Some parts were where difficult to follow due to the technical jargon. All in all, these programs will change the way I will prepare for the bush fire season.
- 6 Great, knowledgeable speakers and real examples.
- 7 All of it.
- 8 Weather vs fire risk, location vs Kinglake Range fire risk, house surroundings vs fire risk
- 9 Kevin and Justin always drop new little nuggets even when talking on longstanding topics. Very excited about the apps mentioned. Fire services nowadays provide pretty good bushfire preparation information and materials but it's still hard for property owners who have not experienced a bushfire in bad conditions to fully understand/interpret the info. Fire agencies don't have enough staff to be able to visit every property and paying for an expert is very prohibitive - the apps may help to bridge the gap!
- 10 Knowledge of what different bodies are doing.
- 11 Really understanding risks, mitigation and gaining advice as to how we can better prepare in the BAL FZ area. We are novices and thanks to Peter Mildenhall for putting us onto this, we feel we are heading in the right direction to better prepare and reduce the potential damage fires can do to our property.
- 12 Information about ember attack was of most interest to us.
- 13 The three speakers.
- 14 BBKA approach re loss of property.
- 15 Generally all good.
- 16 Kevin Tolhurst's presentation.
- 17 The Star Rating is interesting.

- 18 Kevin Tolhurst and Justin Leonard's very scientific based presentations were excellent and gave me real 'meat' to digest with regards to how the fire is expected to behave & the impacts across various scenarios expected. Well done to everyone involved however.
- 19 Look at terrain and fuel up to 10km distant to fully understand ones bushfire risk. Star Rating systems has detail that will help me when it is released.
- 20 Very interested in the star rating app when that comes out and glad to see content repeated from previous talks which helps consolidate information.
- 21 Good news that an app will help in risk assessments.
- 22 Good discussion led by experts throughout. Particularly interested in discussion about FFDI.
- 23 Information about assessing bushfire danger, clearance areas around property, looking outside of own property for assessing dangers, design changes to outside of house, escape route options. Development of online tools was very interesting and relevant to my situation.
- 24 The constant regains of "know your country, know your property, know the risks, know what to expect!! And harden up - the most difficult to implement! All the info was pertinent, relevant & well presented.
- 25 Kevin in particular is an excellent teacher. Explains his points well. The other presenters were also good but Kevin was exceptional.
- 26 As community engagement presenters it's great to hear different ways of presenting and explaining the information being put forward, the latest developments and ideas.
- 27 Looking at the topography on a 5 and 10 km radius to assess the wider risk to the property.
- 28 The content was very technical and detailed. However, it was not very practical in its application.
- 29 Kevin Tolhurst was the most informative bit for me.
- 30 The radius of 5-10 km around my home to help determine risk; also details of a new self-assessment app in development.
- 31 Lots of big picture, high level information from first two presenters, Kevin & Justin. Ian was a bit more detailed. The questions and answers were very relevant, such as solar panels and batteries, the new fire danger rating system. Example photos were good. Kevin's aerial views and images were helpful.
- 32 Loved to hear about the various cutting edge tools and technology that are emerging to help lay people understand their risk to bushfire threats.
- 33 Kevin Tolhurst comparing the two properties. The 5-10km radius around each home. The roads out.
- 34 Webinar concentrated on self assessment of property which I can easily do. It didn't give enough on the regulations that should be followed such as the Australian standards, CFA or planning requirements. Even though a new house may be designed and built there is not enough control on builders nor building surveyors to adhere to the requirements. Thus the new owner needs to become an expert or hire another expert to ensure the bushfire rules are adhered to.

- 35 So very hard to decide what to leave out in such a complex area. BRI have done a fantastic job in making it accessible and understandable. Your presenters are all living legends. I am so very grateful that there are such articulate, intelligent adults in the room.
- 36 Hearing about bushfire preparedness related app development, government potentially looking to standardise language & ratings nationally. The new fire danger rating system seems good.
- 37 Understanding fire risks and the role of vegetation around the house. Being confident in assessing your own home for fire risk.
- 38 Forms and features of ember attack.
- 39 The possibility of attack where house could suffer.
- 40 The details of the new app for determining bushfire risk for your property.
- 41 Relevant knowledge.
- 42 The specific information about dwelling vulnerability.
- 43 Where your leaf debris normally builds up is where fire embers are likely to land. Lithium batteries aren't anymore a risk than gas bottles etc.
- 44 Fire Danger Rating changes.
- 45 It was an excellent update for my work as a community Liaison Bushfire Engagement Facilitator. It was thorough and easy to understand. The questions were all answered clearly and well. Thank you.
- 46 All was informative and of interest.
- 47 I took notes so have quite a bit of info. Like the practical advice and the pointing out the extent of ember attack, as many people are in denial about their risk and obligations. A few additional hazards mentioned by Ian which was great.
- 48 The difference between two areas, that even though they were close, had different fire risks.
- 49 I found Ian Bennett's presentation very practical.
- 50 Interesting and informative particularly the BBKA which is less familiar than Kevin or Justin's work.
- 51 Discussion on the new national fire danger rating system. Kevin's answer to the question on planned burning was excellent. All presenters were excellent and brought the information down to a level we should all be able to understand.
- 52 Building vulnerability.
- 53 The audience question that showed how previous fire danger ratings correlate with current ratings.
- 54 Information about last resort plans.