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AUSTRALIA DAY HONOURS – ORDER OF AUSTRALIA

The Australia Day Honours List was announced on 27 January 2023 by the Governor General of the Commonwealth of Australia, David Hurley AC DSC (Retd). In the Australian honours system appointments to the Order of Australia (OAM) are the highest and most prestigious recognition for outstanding achievement and service.

On behalf of the Department of Fire and Emergency Services I would like to extend my congratulations to the following Western Australian emergency services volunteer recipient of the Medal (OAM) of the Order of Australia in the General Division.

Noel Desmond Holdsworth OAM was awarded for his service to the community of Bridgetown through various volunteer and other civic endeavours. Noel has served with the Yornup Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade since October 2004. He has also been a member of the Rotary Club of Bridgetown for the last 43 years and has served in all roles. Noel is a patron of the Bridgetown Football Club and a life member. In 2018 Noel was awarded Citizen of the Year from the Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes.

Congratulations once again to this worthy recipient. The OAM is a fitting tribute to the selfless and hard-working volunteers who have had a profound impact on emergency services and their local communities throughout Western Australia.

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