

Grampian Fire and Rescue

Over the last few months the Grampian Fire and Rescue, the Police, The Ranger Service, the local schools and the City Wardens have all been working hard in partnership to reduce fires in the area, especially in woodland areas such as the Gramps.



Unfortunately during May we attended 8 wilful fires on the hills, this has now put the total to 12 wilful calls for 2011. During 2010 we attended only 13 calls in the entire year. Although we have had a great deal of fires in the area we feel that the walks and educational work we are doing at the schools are working. Of all the fires started in 2011 none have been by those who are of the age to have participated in the walks or educational talks. So from all of us well-done children for not lighting fires and looking after your local wildland along with the animals who live on the hills.



We still need all of your help in the community to maintain the good work

which has been done so far, if you see a fire phone 999 straight away, the quicker we get to the fire the less it spreads and destroys the land. If you know or see anyone lighting fires tell someone, for example the Police or Crimestoppers.



There has been some changes at your local Fire Station in Altens, from the 25th of July following changes within Grampian, this station has now increased in size to two wholetime fire appliances covering shifts 24/7, over the coming months you will see them working closely with the community in an attempt to reduce fires in the home resulting in injury or deaths. They will be doing this by increasing the awareness of fire safety, the importance of having a working smoke alarm and offering our FREE Home Fire Safety Visit.

If you do need a smoke alarm or would like to check your house is safe then please request a FREE Home Fire Safety visit by:

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Or Text: **GRAMPIAN** to **61611**

Thank you and enjoy the rest of the summer.

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