

# State Emergency Service **Media Release**



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## **Major forum for SES leaders this weekend in Adelaide**

Senior State Emergency Service (SES) personnel from across the state will gather in Adelaide this weekend for a major forum aimed at increasing the agency's capacity to deal with storms, floods and other emergencies.

About 85 SES personnel, comprising SES Unit Managers, Deputy Unit Managers and staff, will hear presentations at Rydges South Park (corner South and West terraces, Adelaide) on a range of topics, including recent developments in incident management, marine rescue, flood intelligence systems and the new SES Community Engagement Unit.

There will also be a presentation from the Bureau of Meteorology about next generation weather forecasting and, on Sunday morning, an update on SES training which will include information about the latest in online training.

SASES Chief Officer Chris Beattie said the yearly SES Unit Managers' Forum was an ideal way of disseminating information about the very latest in emergency management practice.

"The response from our members to this annual forum is always very positive and I've no doubt it will be again this year," Mr Beattie said.

As part of the forum, the SASES Awards Dinner will also be held at the same venue on Saturday evening (20 October) from 6.30pm.

A variety of awards will be made by the Minister for Emergency Services, the Hon Jennifer Rankine, including life membership awards to two SES members who have completed 35 years of service.

Other awards to be presented on Saturday include the inaugural Cadet of the Year award, while the SASES Volunteers' Association will present the Keith Lane Award.

First presented in 2004, the Keith Lane Award is awarded to honour the late Keith Lane, an early founding member of the association.

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