

**Question on Notice
No. 579
Asked on Thursday 17 April 2008**

MR WENDT asked the Minister for Emergency Services (MR ROBERTS) -

QUESTION:

With reference to the 2008 Queensland Fire and Rescue Service Road Accident Rescue Challenge held recently at the Ipswich Showgrounds-

Will he advise if any local firefighters from the Ipswich area competed and how the team fared?

ANSWER:

The State Road Crash Rescue Challenge is held annually and is hosted by a different region each year. The Challenge was hosted this year by South Eastern Region and marked the 13th anniversary of the Challenge.

The original intent of the Challenge was to provide simulated training opportunities in road traffic accident scenarios.

The Challenge has developed into one of the Queensland Fire and Rescue Service's most prestigious and highly contested events. It has also outgrown its fire service focus and teams from Queensland Ambulance Service and the State Emergency Service also take part.

The Lowood Rural Fire Auxiliary team representing South Eastern Region, scored fourth place in the overall competition and earned the right to compete at the Australasian Rescue Challenge to be held on the Gold Coast in June 2008.

I would like to congratulate all officers who participated in the Challenge and I wish them well in the Australian championships.