

Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service

Wiltshire and Swindon Fire Authority

Report for Calne Area Board

Fires

The number of accidental fires that WFRS attended within the Board's area during November and December 2009 was 7. These involved an oil fuelled boiler, an industrial compressor, a shed, car, a cooking related incident and 2 chimney fires.

WFRS saw a decrease in the number of deliberate fires we attended during the same period. 2 of these incidents involved a car and an abandoned arm chair. The third involved a wheelie bin being set alight which then affected a gas meter.

Injuries

No individuals have been injured through any fire related incident that we have attended during November or December 2009.

RTC'S

We attended 1 Road Traffic Collision within the Boards area during November/December. This incident occurred on Oxford Road and involved 3 vehicles.

Year 11 students from across North Wiltshire attended our Safe Drive Stay Alive Road Show at The Olympiad in November.

Community Safety

Community Fire Safety Activities are continuing to focus on Chimney Fire Safety following an increase in calls to chimney fires last winter. People with open fires, wood stoves and flame effect gas fires are encouraged to get their chimneys swept and flues checked regularly. We are also promoting Winter Fire Safety.

With reference to an incident that we have recently attended it would seem opportune to remind individuals to consider kitchen safety, in particular not to leave their cooking unattended.

The Home Office website called the 'Fire Gateway' through which we receive or process many of our requests for Home Fire Safety Checks closed on 22nd January 2010.

Therefore from 22nd January 2010 there will be a link placed on our Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service website. This will link people to forms they can fill in whilst on line requesting a Home Fire Safety Check, Community Event visit and School visit or talk.

For further information please visit www.direct.gov.uk/firekills