



## People News

The JIBC, Fire and Safety Division, Director's Award has been presented each year since 1986 to recognize outstanding contribution by an individual to the Fire and Safety Division that will ultimately benefit fire service training within British Columbia. This is one way of recognizing the support and efforts, often beyond the call of duty that translates to value to the Fire and Safety Division and ultimately, the fire service as a whole.

The recipient of the 2003 Director's Award is Neill Moroz. Although there was some difficulty in finding an appropriate venue, the Director's Award was presented to Neill at the graduation ceremony of the Career Fire fighter Pre-employment Certificate Program in Kamloops on July 30th.

Neill has worked tirelessly to promote a high level of training and coordination of training within his own department and for others who use the Kamloops Fire Department

Training Centre. He's the 'go-to' guy at the Kamloops Fire Department's Training Centre – always responds the same way – yes, I can – does set-up, coordination of any training for Fire and Safety Division programs and courses from live fire – industrial – forest service and for the past three consecutive years, the Career Fire

fighter Pre-employment Program that is offered in Kamloops. Congratulations Neill and keep up the great work!



John B. Vokes, Director, Fire and Safety Division and Neill Moroz, Training Officer, Kamloops Fire Department



**Gord Schreiner,**  
Fire Chief of the  
Comox Fire  
Department was  
awarded the  
**Justice Institute  
of BC, Fire and  
Safety Division/**

**BC Fire Training Officers' Association,  
Training Achievement Award for 2004.**

Fire Chief Schreiner has been involved in training and the organizing of training for the fire service for many years. He has assisted neighbouring fire departments with their training and with evaluations for the Fire and Safety Division. He has also organized and hosted many fire and rescue training activities such as a recent auto extrication competition, for departments within his region on Vancouver Island.

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## Jack Tyler Receives 40<sup>th</sup> Year Exemplary Service Award



Fire Commissioner David Hodgins presented Jack Tyler with the second bar for his exemplary service award in recognition of Jack's forty year contribution to the fire service. Jack has actually served 43 years in various capacities within the fire service including a Fire Fighter in Port Alberni, Fire Chief in Gold River, and Instructor, Coordinator and now Manager of Fire Fighter Training at the Justice Institute of British Columbia.

Jack Tyler, Manager Fire Fighter Programs, Fire and Safety Division and David Hodgins, Fire Commissioner

**It's a Surprise!!!** Jack Tyler has advised us that he will be retiring later this year, likely at the end of November. Jack indicated that he really doesn't want anyone to make a fuss over his leaving so we decided to have a surprise retirement party for him. If you are interested in receiving an invitation to Jack's Retirement Party, contact Pat Carnegie-Dunlop at [pcarnegie-dunlop@jibc.bc.ca](mailto:pcarnegie-dunlop@jibc.bc.ca) or (604) 528-5670.

The Fire and Safety Division wishes to thank **Lloyd Lees** for his participation as a committee member with the International Fire Service Training Association (IFSTA) on the review of their Pumps manual.



# Fire Fighter Programs/Courses

## Basic Fire Fighting Certificate

Earning the Basic Fire Fighting certificate demonstrates that you have an understanding of nine essential subject areas considered to be essential skills for all fire fighters: Safety, Fire Behaviour, Personal Protective Equipment, Ropes and Knots, Ladders, Rescue, Ventilation, Fire Hose, Appliances and Streams, and Water Supplies. A certificate of achievement is issued upon successful completion of all examinations and evaluations

administered by the Fire and Safety Division for subjects based on NFPA 1001 Standard. Training takes place using fire department resources or other self-directed method of learning. **Please contact Pat Carnegie-Dunlop at (604) 528-5670 or [pcarnegie-dunlop@jibc.bc.ca](mailto:pcarnegie-dunlop@jibc.bc.ca) if you would like a FREE Powerpoint CD to assist your department in training in the Basic subject areas.**

## BC Fire Fighter Certification Program

Students receive a BC Fire Fighter I and/or BC Fire Fighter II certificate(s), to NFPA 1001 Standard upon successful completion of the required courses at the respective levels, as listed below. The recommended text for this program is IFSTA Essentials of Fire Fighting, Fourth Edition.

### FIRE FIGHTER LEVEL I COURSES

BCMo11: Organization, Safety and Communication I  
BCMo21: Fire Behaviour, Extinguishers and Personal Protective Equipment I  
BCMo31: Ropes, Knots, Ladders and Rescue I  
BCMo41: Building, Ventilation and Forcible Entry I  
BCMo51: Hose, Fire Streams and Water Supply I  
BCMo61: Salvage, Overhaul and Fire Cause Determination I  
BCMo71: Fire Prevention, Education and Sprinkler Systems – Written I  
BCMo81: Fire Control I  
BCMo91: Hazmat Awareness  
BCM101: Emergency Medical Care

These programs are open to Fire Service personnel only. Prerequisites are based on fire department criteria. To register members, fire departments obtain a registration form from the Fire and Safety Division or from the website at [www.jibc.bc.ca/fire](http://www.jibc.bc.ca/fire), and then fax (604 528-5660) or mail to the New Westminster Campus.

### FIRE FIGHTER LEVEL II COURSES

BCMo13: Organization, Safety and Communication I & II  
BCMo23: Fire Behaviour, Extinguishers and Personal Protective Equipment I & II  
BCMo33: Ropes, Knots, Ladders and Rescue I & II  
BCMo43: Building, Ventilation and Forcible Entry I & II  
BCMo53: Hose, Fire Streams and Water Supply I & II  
BCMo63: Salvage, Overhaul and Fire Cause Determination I & II  
BCMo73: Fire Prevention, Education and Sprinkler Systems I & II  
BCMo83: Fire Control I & II  
BCMo91: Hazmat Awareness  
BCMo93: Hazmat Operations  
BCM101: Emergency Medical Care  
FS210: Hazmat Operations

## Evaluator Certification Workshop

This course teaches students the skills and knowledge necessary to become an evaluator in the BC Fire Fighter Certification Program. Upon completion of this workshop, students will be able to evaluate students in the BC Fire Fighter Certification Program and perform administrative duties associated with evaluations according to Justice Institute of BC and Fire and Safety Division policies.

**Prerequisites:** Fire Service Instructor I and II, 5 years fire service experience including 2 years as a fire service trainer, completion of an online

pre-examination and prerequisite validation, and approval by the student's home fire department.

After completing the prerequisites, students may register for the Workshop by contacting the Justice Institute of BC Registration Office at (604) 528-5590. Currently workshops are scheduled in Comox (September 25/26), the Maple Ridge Campus of the Justice Institute of BC (October 2/3), Kamloops (November 13/14), and Sidney (TBA). For more information email [ffexams@jibc.bc.ca](mailto:ffexams@jibc.bc.ca)

## Future Initiatives

To meet the needs of volunteer fire fighters in British Columbia, the Fire and Safety Division is developing a **Vocational Fire Officer Program**. Based on NFPA 1021 Fire Officer Standard, the program will be modularized

and offered during regional training weekends. Development and delivery of the program is scheduled for 2005.

The Fire and Safety Division is exploring alternative sources of funding to offset the cost of course development and delivery and in order to facilitate affordable training to the volunteer fire service.



# Degree in Fire and Safety Leadership

Work is progressing on the design and development of the Degree in Fire and Safety Leadership. Some highlights include:

- Submissions to the Ministry of Advanced Education. The initial draft of the proposal was submitted in August 2004. The full proposal is scheduled for the end of this year.
- The target date for introduction of the Degree Program remains September 2005 subject to approval by the Ministry of Advanced Education and the Degree Quality Review Board.
- Continued market research regarding the need for the Degree. In addition to the significant interest shown from within British Columbia, interest has also been shown by institutions

outside the Province.

- Course development for the Fourth Year. The first three years of the Degree are made up of credits from the Career Fire Fighter Pre-employment Certificate Program (CFFPCP), Industrial Emergency Responder Certificate and the Fire Service Leadership Diploma Program, augmented by some liberal studies and elective courses. Work has commenced on the design and development of the fourth year (degree completion) courses. All fourth year courses will be available in an on-line format.
- Flexibility for students. The design of the Degree Program incorporates multiple entry and exit points. This allows students and sponsoring fire departments

flexibility in obtaining the appropriate certification level. Once students have completed the requirements for the Diploma they will only need to obtain an extra thirty credits in order to complete the Degree in Fire and Safety Leadership.

## SEE TABLE BELOW

- Fifty-percent of the fourth year of the Degree are made up of courses in public administration. These courses represent up to fifty percent of the fourth year and are being developed in partnership with the University of Victoria.

For more information on the Degree Program, please contact Geoff Burston ([gburston@jibc.bc.ca](mailto:gburston@jibc.bc.ca))



\* This Program incorporates credits from the Fire Officer Levels I through IV.

## Senior Leaders Course

The first delivery of the new Senior Leaders Course (F280) took place at Harrison Hot Springs in March of this year, with follow-up at the Justice Institute's New Westminster campus. The course is designed for senior members of the fire service and is also a requirement for the Fire Service Leadership Diploma Program. This two-part course focuses on management action planning. The first part of the course is an intensive three-day session and includes analysis of a 360-degree assessment of the participant's skills, knowledge and abilities. It examines the role of senior members of the fire service, particularly their relationship with municipal government. The one-day follow-up session takes place three or four months later and gives participants the opportunity to report on practicing the skills acquired during part one of the course, to share their experience in implementing changes and to further explore their role within their municipality.

The feedback from students of the first session has been very positive. The next offering of the course is February 27 (evening) to March 2, 2005, also at Harrison Hot Springs, with follow-up at the Justice Institute New Westminster Campus on June 28, 2005. To register for this course, please contact the JIBC Registration office at (604) 528-5590.

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In his community, Gord has supported the development of a youth program and a youth camp in his community. He has been instrumental in the development of a training ground that is used by a number of departments on the mid-island.

Unfortunately, Gord was not present at the 2004 Fire Training Officers' Conference to receive this award in person as he was meeting with architects regarding the addition of a new burn facility on his training ground. The award was accepted on Gord's behalf by Rick Shelton of the Comox Fire Department who spoke of Gord's dedication to excellence in his training of the fire service and the selflessness that Gord demonstrates in his position as fire chief and as a community member.

## NEW Register for our New Fire Investigator Course!

**Fire Investigator I – Fire Cause and Origin** is an introductory course of interest to students who are members of regulatory or enforcement agencies (non-LAFC's), responsible for fire investigation. In this course, students will examine the applicable legal and regulatory requirements, including relevant legislation and standards, and the relationship of the fire investigator with other entities involved in the investigation. Students will learn the fundamentals of fire science, causes and origins of fire.

**Date:** October 19th-21st, 2004 8:30 – 4:30  
**Location:** New Westminster Campus,  
715 McBride Blvd  
**Tuition:** \$295

For more information visit [www.jibc.bc.ca/fire](http://www.jibc.bc.ca/fire)  
or call Cathy Lange, Program Planner at  
(604) 528-5668.



## Training Weekends

On July 16 – 18, the Justice Institute participated in a Regional Training Conference hosted by the Salt Spring Island Fire Department. 71 students participated in one or more of the following courses: Incident Safety Officer, Pumps & Pumping, Strategies & Tactics, Rapid Intervention Team, Technical High Angle Rope Rescue – Awareness, and Hazardous Materials Awareness c/w spill control. Students were assisted in the learning process by 9 JIBC Instructors.

The Salt Spring Island Fire Department rolled out the hospitality mat, with the highlight being an awesome BBQ on Saturday evening (Chief Dave Enfield once again showing off his exemplary culinary skills). Many thanks to the hard work that was taken on and successfully accomplished by Chief Dave Enfield, Assistant Chief Arjuna George, and the rest of the staff of the Salt Spring Island Fire Department.

In addition to the Salt Spring event, regional training weekends were held this year in Campbell River, Prince George and Castlegar. Still to come... **Okanagan Training Weekend September 17-19 and Fort St. John September 24-26.** If your department is interested in hosting one of these highly successful training weekends, please contact Dean Colthorp at (604) 462-1000. For details on hosting, visit the Fire and Safety Division Website at [www.jibc.bc.ca/fire](http://www.jibc.bc.ca/fire) under Fire Service/Regional Training.

## Fire Officer Graduation

The sound of bagpipes rang throughout the Justice Institute of BC's New Westminster campus on Thursday, May 20 to celebrate the graduation of 100 students in the Fire Officer Leadership Development Program. At the ceremony, each officer was individually recognized and presented with a well-earned certificate. Colleagues, family and friends gathered to pay tribute to the student's educational achievements.

There are four levels of the Fire Officer Leadership Diploma Program: Fire Officer I, II, III and IV. Fire Officer I teaches theory and practical skills preparing students to take on the roles of Fire Department captains and lieutenants, while Fire Officer II prepares students to become battalion chiefs. Fire Officer III and IV prepares students for the management roles of fire department deputy chiefs, assistant chiefs, and chiefs. Students can choose to complete all four levels or only the first level of the program. The program is offered by distance education and classroom format. Graduates recognized at Thursday's ceremony have achieved certification to Fire Officer levels I, II, III or IV.

Proving that sound education and training can cross international borders. These students became the Justice Institute's first Saudi graduates of the Fire Officer Program.



The Justice Institute congratulates Rob Clausen (Township of Langley Fire Department) as the first graduate of the Fire and Safety Division's Fire Service Leadership Diploma Program. This is a significant milestone for Rob and for the Justice Institute.



Dan Murphy,  
Program Director,  
Maree Al-Qahtani,  
Hamed Al-Rashed,  
John Vokes,  
Director,  
Saleh Al-Jaarah,  
Wayel Osailan,  
Wesley Eaton, Piper

## Canadian Volunteer Firefighter Stamp

Mike Walsh, President of the Canadian Volunteer Fire Services Association has presented the Justice Institute of British Columbia with a framed date of issue stamp set recognizing the contribution of volunteer fire fighters to the safety of their communities.

The acknowledgement reads as follows, "Tightly spaced buildings and wooden construction made fire an ever-present threat in Canada's early settlements. For over a century, after the first recorded fire occurred in Quebec City in 1629, communities relied on citizens armed with axes and buckets to save their homes and businesses from a blaze.

Volunteer fire fighting companies evolved from this neighbourly spirit of self-help, with a group of tradesmen forming what was likely Canada's earliest fire brigade in 1734. Although no longer active in Canada's major cities, trained volunteers play a vital role in rural areas and many small towns, and comprise 85 per cent of the nation's fire fighting force.

Front-line defenders in crises involving fires, medical emergencies, hazardous spills, motor-vehicle accidents, and rescues, volunteer firefighters are on call day and night to protect the safety of their communities."

The stamp set will hang in a public area at the Justice Institute of British Columbia's New Westminster Campus for all to appreciate and to celebrate the role of the volunteer firefighter.



# Avoid Tragedy by Being Ready

Captain Muhammad Mahtab,  
JIBC Maple Ridge Campus

*On July 16, at least 89 small students were burned alive when a devastating fire swept through a middle school in Tamil Nadu, India. Another 120 people were injured. Mishaps like these are never planned, but we can plan for them in advance and by doing so, possibly, we can avoid them.*

**"Install at least one smoke alarm on each level of your home and in or near all sleeping areas."**

**"develop and regularly practice a home fire escape plan"**

**"Installing (ABC type) fire extinguisher(s)"**

Canada, along with the U.S., holds the worst fire record in the industrialized world. Today in Canada, a home fire is reported to a fire department every 25 minutes, and 4 of 5 fire deaths occur in the home. Most fires start at night, meaning occupants of the homes are not alert to danger.

It usually isn't the flame, heat or any other by-product of fire that kills people, but the smoke. Spreading much faster than a raging fire, all smoke contains lethal carbon monoxide. Once a fire bursts into open flame, the rapid progress of the flame can engulf an entire room in three minutes. The fuel consumption of the flame can double each minute it is allowed to burn.

As the volume of smoke steadily increases, it descends rapidly toward the floor, extending out into adjoining areas, greatly hindering visibility and making escape extremely difficult, if not impossible.

Smoke detectors alone do not give complete protection. A recent residen-

tial study found that 36% of smoke detectors were not working and 8% of the homes did not have detectors. Yet, they are the most effective early warning devices available. Having a smoke alarm in your home cuts your chance of dying in a fire nearly in half!!

**Install at least one smoke alarm on each level of your home and in or near all sleeping areas.**

Smoke alarms should be tested once a month and batteries replaced once a year or when the alarm "chirps", warning that the battery is low.

Deaths occur most frequently when fires burn out of control, blocking escape exits with smoke and heat. Confusion caused by billowing smoke can prevent escape even before succumbing to the deadly gases. Every household should **develop and regularly practice a home fire escape plan** that includes two ways out of every room and an outside meeting place. Practice it in the dark. Deaths often occur because people cannot make it to exits in time.

Just like the fire that broke out in the

kitchen of the school in Tamil Nadu, most fires start in the kitchen.

**Installing (ABC type) fire extinguisher(s)** around kitchen area would be the most prudent step to control a fire in its very early stage. However, make sure that every member of household is familiar and confi-

## Fire Prevention Week October 3-9, 2004

"Test Your Smoke Alarms" is the motto for the National Fire Protection Association's campaign for Fire Prevention Week. As a reminder to all of us, we have published a summarized article written for the Maple Ridge News July 31st. To view the whole article, please visit The News' website at [www.mapleridgenews.com](http://www.mapleridgenews.com) under the heading "Community".

dent in using the fire extinguisher. If you smell smoke, see flames or are awakened by your smoke detector, do not panic. Stay calm and as low to the ground as possible. Get everyone out of the building. Assess the situation. Call 911. Fight the fire, if possible. If not, get out.

Remember: Most things in a house can be replaced, but not the people.

## Career Fire Fighter Pre-employment Certificate Program in Prince George

The Fire and Safety Division is pleased to announce a partnership with the College of New Caledonia, Regional District of Fraser Fort George, Prince George Fire Department, Fort St. James Fire Department, and the Prince George Airport, to offer the Career Fire Fighter Pre-employment Certificate Program in Prince George. The application period for this program is September 7 to November 1, 2004 with a

class starting May 30, 2005. An information session is scheduled for October 13, 2004 at 7 pm, College of New Caledonia, Room 1-306, Prince George Campus, 3330-22nd Avenue, Prince George, BC.

For more information, visit the Fire and Safety Division website at [www.jibc.bc.ca/fire](http://www.jibc.bc.ca/fire) and click on "Want to be a Fire Fighter?".

## Open House

We hope to see you there!

Maple Ridge Campus

**WHERE?** 13500 - 256th Street, Maple Ridge

**WHEN?** Saturday, September 25th,  
11 am to 4 pm

**WHAT?** You and your family are invited to enjoy a day of fun and to check out our new classrooms and training props! There will be lots of activities for children and adults, including emergency response scenarios from the fire service, paramedics, police and more! Hotdogs, burgers and pop will be available for purchase.

# Canadian Fire Services Training Directors Conference



On June 24th and 25th the Fire and Safety Division hosted the Canadian Fire Services Training Directors Conference.

Eight Directors or designates from BC, Alberta, North West Territories, Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia participated in this event. The first day of meetings was held at the Maple Ridge Campus of the Justice Institute where attendees exchanged training information, successes, challenges and ideas. This annual conference is the main opportunity for fire training schools across Canada to network and learn from each other. Presentations were given by: Desmond Mayne of Brookdale (A DuPont Canada Company) on

EVACpro (back-up respirators), Craig Webster – Powertech Labs Inc. on the company's destructive testing of hydrogen fuel cells, and Sean Tracey from the National Fire Protection Association. The second day of meetings was held at the New Westminster Campus with an information session provided by Janet Maker and Mike Moore of the International Fire Service Training Association. Participants received a tour of both locations and were very impressed with the facilities and staff and the overall operation of the Justice Institute.

(Back Row L-R)

John Vokes, Director, Fire and Safety Division, Justice Institute of BC;

Chris Senaratne, Director – Training Services and Quality Management, fire-etc Alberta;

Kellie Mitchell, Senior Researcher – Public Safety, GNWT School of Community Gov't, Northwest Territories;

Benoit Laroche, Senior Policy Consultant, New Brunswick Office of the Fire Commissioner, New Brunswick;

Fred McLennan, Principal, Office of the Fire Marshal – Ontario Fire College, Ontario;

(Front Row L-R)

Al Thivierge, Representative Canadian Forces Fire Marshal Office, Department of National Defence, Ontario;

Janet Maker and Mike Moore, International Fire Protection Association, Oklahoma;

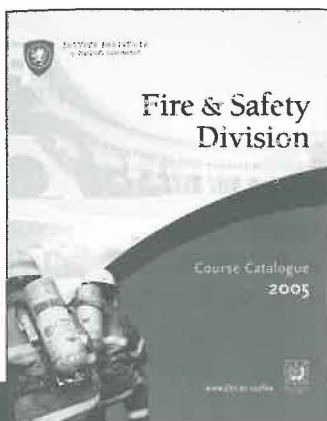
Cathy Lange, Program Planner, Fire and Safety Division;

Luc de la Durantaye, Director of Operations, Ecole Nationale des pompiers du Quebec, Quebec;

Harold Richardson, Nova Scotia Firefighters School, Nova Scotia.



# 2005 Course Catalogue



Some of our courses have been revised to meet ongoing accreditation and credentialing needs, others are new, such as: Confined Space Awareness, Operations and Technician, Fire Investigator, Building Construction, Employability Skills and more!

If you would like a copy or additional copies of the catalogue, please contact the Fire and Safety Division at (604) 528-5657.

**NOW AVAILABLE!**

## The Fire and Safety Division is now a distributor for Jones and Bartlett Publishers.

Jones and Bartlett has just published "Fundamentals of Fire Fighter Skills."

Fire fighting publications available from Jones and Bartlett are; Fundamentals of Fire Fighter Skills (textbook), Fundamentals of Fire Fighter Skills Instructor's Toolkit CD-ROM, Fundamentals of Fire Fighter Skills Resource Manual and Fundamentals of Fire Fighter Skills Student Workbook.

This Library Package is offered to departments who are members of the BC Training Officers' Association at a 10% discount.

**For more information please call: Pat Carnegie-Dunlop  
604-528-5670 or email, [pcarnegie-dunlop@jibc.bc.ca](mailto:pcarnegie-dunlop@jibc.bc.ca)**

## NEW Two New Course Dates!

### Fire Inspector I (FIP100)

**Date:** November 22-27, 2004

**Exam:** December 6, 2004

**Location:** JIBC New Westminster Campus

### Plan Examiner (FIP150)

**Date:** February 28 – March 5, 2004

**Exam:** March 14, 2005

**Location:** JIBC New Westminster Campus

**To register for either of these courses, please call (604) 528-5590**

The Justice Institute of BC congratulates Chief Ken Tebo and Assistant Chief Brad Shirley of the District of Salmon Arm Fire Department. Salmon Arm Fire Department is the first department in BC to train 52 fire fighters under the new legislated **Emergency Vehicle Driving Regulation Course**. The fire fighters were keen and active participants who successfully completed the course and all 52 received Provincial Certification.

## Justice Institute of BC Courses of Interest

Fire Fighters often look to the Fire and Safety Division to meet all of their training needs. Although we have an enormous range of courses, some of those needs fall outside of our area of specialty. Below are a few areas of training that are offered by other academies or divisions within the JIBC.

Courses offered at the Justice Institute of BC, *Centre for Conflict Resolution* give you practical, hands-on tools to help you advance your career and give you a competitive edge in dealing with others. Our courses are exceptional and provide great value for money - all courses are dynamic and interactive, with small class sizes and excellent student/instructor ratios, resulting in one-on-one personal development. To find out more about the Centre for Conflict Resolution and the courses that we offer, check out our website [www.jibc.bc.ca/ccr](http://www.jibc.bc.ca/ccr) or call us at 1.888.799.6801

The *Emergency Management Division* at the Justice Institute of BC provides a comprehensive training curriculum using the Incident Command System (ICS). The program focuses on a progressive series of courses that train first responders to manage any size of emergency incidents using the Incident Command System.

The courses are designed for multi-agency and multi-jurisdictional response situations. The learning outcomes focus on the ability of responders to manage incidents using ICS. For more information and course dates please visit our website [www.jibc.bc.ca/emergency](http://www.jibc.bc.ca/emergency) or call (604) 528-5649





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Trish Miller Semiahmoo Library

## Semiahmoo Library Home to New Fire Truck

The Surrey Fire Service brought a blast of colour to Surrey Public Library on Saturday April 3 when it delivered a fire truck to the Semiahmoo Library. The model truck serves as a display unit for children's fire safety books and has enough room in its cab for a crew of small children. At seven-feet high and 11-feet long, the truck is the result of 400 hours of work by designer and builder Surrey Firefighter Rick Olsen, Surrey Firefighter Ryan Smith who did the graphics, Glenn Berger and Harvey Goodwin, owners of Hub Fire Engine Company who donated painting and metalwork, and Surrey Assistant Fire Chief Bud Livesey, project coordinator.

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