



Dwellingup commemorates 30th anniversary of devastating bushfire

Towns were destroyed, hundreds left homeless and a Royal Commission called. The devastating bush fires of January 1961 burnt through thousands of hectares of forest around Dwellingup for six days before being brought under control.

Thirty years later the Dwellingup fire was commemorated with

exhibitions and bands over this year's Australia Day weekend.

The weekend attracted thousands of visitors to the town, including many former residents.

CALM fire-fighting machinery was on display - from the old Mack fire truck from the Manjimup Timber Museum to the modern equipment above.

Newspaper photographs from 1961 were also on show, together with a display of CALM's current fire prevention and suppression operations, many of which were developed from the lessons learnt in the Dwellingup fire.

The photograph shows some of the fire-fighting equipment on display.



