

media release

SA Metropolitan Fire Service



World Police & Fire Games success in NY

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It's been a case of Gold, Silver and Bronze for Metropolitan Fire Service (MFS) firefighters competing at the World Police and Fire Games (WPFG) in New York.

MFS firefighter, Phil Rogers (former Olympian) has achieved the best overall individual results for a South Australian at the games, with **nine** medals in the pool. (Six Gold, two Silver and one Bronze.)

WPFG rules stipulate that an individual can only enter nine events, meaning Mr Rogers won a medal in every event he entered at the games.

The MFS Dodgeball Team also achieved a great result with a Silver Medal, despite their inexperience in the event. And MFS firefighter, Jason Lindblom hooked a Silver Medal fish in angling, making him one of only three medallists amongst the 100 competitors in the fishing event.

Airport firefighter, Joe Portelesi achieved three Bronze Medals in archery during the 2011 games.

The closing ceremony for the games was held on Sunday, 4 September, followed by a candlelight vigil on the evening of Monday, 5 September where World Police and Fire Games competitors paid tribute to the victims of 9/11, ten years on.

2011 WORLD POLICE & FIRE GAMES MEDAL TALLY FOR SA COMPETITORS:

MEDAL	EVENT	FIREFIGHTER
6 GOLD, 2 SILVER, 1 BRONZE	Swimming	Phil Rogers, MFS
GOLD	Squash	Luke Margan, MFS
GOLD	Ten Pin Bowling	Jeff Gillis, MFS
SILVER	Angling	Jason Lindblom, MFS
SILVER	Dodgeball	MFS Team
SILVER	Track & Field (High Jump)	Darren Scott, MFS
SILVER	Bucket Brigade	MFS C Team (Team 3)
BRONZE	Surfing	Mark Virgo, MFS
BRONZE	Hose Cart	MFS C Team (Team 3)
BRONZE	High Jump	Andrew Chandler, MFS
3 BRONZE	Archery	Joe Portelesi, Airport Firefighter

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