

# Media Release



## Blue Mountains

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## Strong Winds Cause Damage

The State Emergency Service (SES) has responded 8 calls for assistance on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> August as strong winds affected the Blue Mountains region.

“Wind gusts of 70km/h from the west caused most of the damage in the Lower Mountains” stated John Hughes, Deputy Controller for the Blue Mountains SES.

“We responded our volunteer teams to trees down from Hazelbrook down to Blaxland throughout the day”

The SES expects strong winds at this time of year and wish to remind residents to check their properties for threatening trees, ensure that toys and gardening equipment is secured in the yard and to call the SES if they have a problem during a storm on 132500.

Further information on preparing for storms can be found at the Blue Mountains SES web site at [www.bluemts.com.au/ses/](http://www.bluemts.com.au/ses/)

If any resident requires emergency assistance during storms, they can contact the SES on 132500 at anytime.

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*The worst in nature  
the best in us*

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