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I have been a Retained Firefighter for twelve years with 213 Bangalow, on the Far North Coast of NSW. Eight of those years have been as Deputy Captain.

I believe the FBEU needs to evolve in order to reflect the needs and future challenges of it's members. All Retained and Permanent fire fighters deserve effective and timely communication, consultation and dissemination of information from their Union. I believe Retained members need the backing of an inclusive and proactive Union, one that supports and advocates for all of it's members.

It has been said that FRNSW faces more change within the next 5 years than it has in the past 25 years. Retained Firefighters make up half the current membership, but only a small percentage voted last election. Positive outcomes can be achieved if Retained members participate and actively engage with their Union, identify what is important to us and also what needs to change.

If elected, I will seek to engage with Retained members throughout the state and strive to empower us as a collective so that we have a voice in decisions affecting our future and the quality of service we provide to our communities.

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