

6. WHAT THE DUCK???



On the 27th January 2017 ARFF Brisbane had a very unusual turnout. Tender 6 (DRV) responded to a fire-line call from a member of the public. Upon arrival on scene they found a family of ducks had managed to get themselves trapped in a drain. The crew comprised of SO Dave Wood, LFF Lachlan Argus and LFF Edward Ekkelenkamp.

The closed drain going under the road presented a substantial hazard making our boys think of an elegant solution. Utilising a branch at low pressure on one end of the drain to float and push the ducks to the other end, where they could be scooped up and put in a bucket. LFF Eddie Ekkelenkamp being the branch man and LFF Lachie Argus being the duck wrangler.

In all, eight ducklings were rescued to the relief of concerned onlookers.

LFF Argus (left) and LFF Ekkelenkamp (right) each holding one of the saved ducklings (names unknown).

A Ducky Escape!