

Supreme Court to sentence bushfire arsonist

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A BUSHFIRE arsonist who lit a series of vegetation fires in the North will be sentenced in the Supreme Court.

Longford man Allan David Broadhead, 32, faced the Launceston Magistrates Court on Thursday.

Magistrate Michael Brett read out the indictable charges to the unrepresen-

ted Broadhead, who pleaded guilty to each count.

Broadhead entered guilty pleas to having unlawfully lit five vegetation fires at Epping Forest between December 13 and 15 last year.

The fires were on Crown land and mostly bushland and scrub, plus one eucalyptus forest.

Mr Brett committed Broadhead for sentence in the Supreme Court in

Launceston on April 27 at 10am.

He adjourned Broadhead's summary charges – five counts of lighting a fire in a protected area during the permit period – to a date to be fixed without plea.