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## Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid Association Earns Risk Management Designation

The Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid Association recently earned the PRIME<sup>3</sup> designation from the New Hampshire Public Risk Management Exchange (Primex3). The Governing Board accepted the award presented by Robert Barry, Risk Management Consultant, at their February 11, 2015 meeting.



Left to right: Robert Barry, Primex; Dispatchers Erin Hannafin and Matt O'Neill; Lieutenant Robert Frame; and Deputy Coordinator John Beland.

The PRIME<sup>3</sup> program represents Primex<sup>3</sup>'s Recognition of Risk Management Effort and LRMFA was acknowledged for implementing ten risk management Best Practices aimed at protecting employees, residents, and facilities. Primex<sup>3</sup>, a public entity risk pool with over 400 members, assists all of its members by using PRIME<sup>3</sup> as a framework for employing a continued risk management improvement process.

The designation illustrates LRMFA's commitment to controlling costs through sound risk management practices. The designation avails the Association to a 2.5% discount in their workers' compensation and property and liability contributions, which will total savings of approximately \$673 annually.

LRMFA's Joint Loss Management Committee (safety committee) was instrumental in helping to implement the risk management best practices. The Association is among a small group of Primex<sup>3</sup> members who have achieved the important designation. 🚒

## Flag Rescued From Winnepesaukee River



On a chilly day in February, Laconia Fire Department's Lt. Chad Vaillancourt and Firefighter Chris Beaudoin rescued an American flag from the Winnepesaukee River. It is not known where the flag originated.



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## From the Chief...

By Chief James R. Hayes



It does appear that spring has finally arrived in the Lakes Region of NH. I think most of us had some doubts for a while! Listening to the radio is an indication of how busy things are in our mutual aid system. During the first quarter of this year, the Communications Center has processed more than 5,500 incidents – which translates into the fire and EMS departments in our member communities being busy!

There has been a flurry (no snow reference intended) of activity behind the scenes related to the daily operations of the Communications Center and the mutual aid system. A sub-committee is continuing to work on items addressed in the Strategic Plan adopted by the Board of Directors in 2014. The Training Division is constantly working on training opportunities and a lot of work is being done to consolidate the two Swiftwater Rescue Teams in our system into a single team. We'll have more about that in another article. A Capital Improvement Program Committee was appointed by the Executive Committee to work with staff to develop a comprehensive CIP for the infrastructure we operate on. The CIP will include a maintenance/replacement schedule as well as a funding schedule. The committee has a target date of May 2015 to have the base plan completed. LRMFA staff has been working with Capital Area Mutual Aid Fire Compact to develop a Continuity Of Operations Plan (COOP). This plan is the guide the two mutual aid systems will use in the event of a catastrophic failure of either communications center. The plan has been completed and staff from both centers will begin training and exercises utilizing the COOP.

Last fall, the Board of Directors authorized the purchase and installation of a new radio dispatch console system and associated workstations. This was to replace the failing Orbicom system we were using. The installation of the new Zetron system began in early March and is almost complete (see photos on page 7). The system is operational and in normal-use service while a few minor punch list items are waiting for completion.

Radio communications is an essential part of what you as first response personnel do every day. It is not simply how the Communications Center notifies you of an incident; it is also vital in increasing your safety. Situational awareness starts with the initial dispatch information. Any information we receive relating to the incident will be provided to the responding units. Whereas communication is a two-way exchange, do your best to know the limitations of your communications capabilities. If we can't hear your call, we can't assist you. Portable radios are not a reliable means of communicating with the dispatch center – know the areas in your town where it is necessary to use a mobile radio to make sure your transmission is received at the communications center.

Keep checking the LRMFA website and Facebook site for current happenings in the system. Stay Safe!! 🚒

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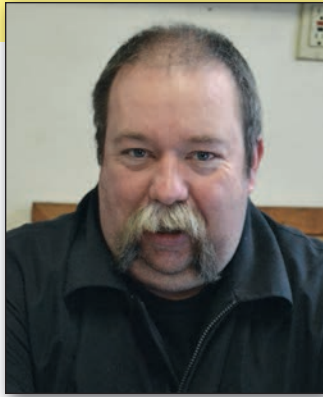
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## Featured department...

# Wentworth Fire Department



Chief Jeff Ames  
Wentworth Fire Department

**Address:** 16 Main St., PO Box 2  
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**Officers:** Dep. Chief Paul Davis, Jr.  
Capt. Steve Albaugh  
Lt. Raymond Welch

**Apparatus:** 2 Engines  
1 Mini Engine

Wentworth is a small (year-round pop. 909 [2013]) town located in the far northwestern quadrant of the Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid system. Like Warren, which abuts Wentworth to the north, Wentworth also works with the Twin State Mutual Aid System and offers mutual aid to northwestern NH towns as well as some towns across the river in Vermont. Case in point: The recent lumber mill fire in Fairlee, VT where Wentworth was tasked with covering stations in both Warren and Orford.

The year-round population may be small but the town covers 42.1 square miles and has 51 miles of roads with an average of 22 persons per square mile. It is very rural and parts of the town are quite remote. In addition to year-round residents, the population swells to 2,500 seasonal folks, many owning camps along the Baker River or camping at Pine Haven Campground. Camp Pemigewassett, a summer camp for boys, is also located here. The camp hosts three summer sessions of 168 campers each; campers come from all

over the world. The town's two biggest employers are lumber mills: King Forest Industries and Precision Lumber. Both have had multiple fires in the past.

## HISTORY

Wentworth has had a fire department since the 1950s. In its early years, the department rented a bay at the local Texaco station! The current building, located next to the Webster Memorial Library and on the village green, began life as a one-bay building. In the mid 60s the building was expanded to its current size. It was built by department members using lumber cut and milled from the town forest!

The current site is too small for expansion; however, that problem was recently solved by a generous donation of up to two acres of land donated by the Comstellar family. The town voted to accept the donation at this year's town meeting and the land is in the process of being surveyed. The Comstellars were direct recipients of the fire department's abilities when their home was saved during a bad chimney fire a few years ago.

Members of this tight-knit community are already stepping up to the plate, offering their services to help build the new station. There is a Capital Reserve Fund in place to cover some of the costs of the new building but the department will rely heavily on their members' and residents' generosity to build the new facility. This town is very supportive of the fire department, both at town meeting and at the numerous fundraisers the department puts on.

## FUNDRAISING

Wentworth Fire Department holds multiple fundraisers throughout the year to pay for items it needs. In the past these events have raised money to pur-



chase a thermal imaging camera, a gas detector, hose, and uniforms.

Their upcoming April Plant Sale is always well attended. During the summer they'll participate in Warren's Old Home Day where they'll have a game booth. Last summer their booth had a TP Toss – toss rolls of toilet paper in the toilet to win. It sounds easy but, take my word for it, it wasn't!

The department also does race track duty at the Legion Speedway as another way to earn money for various items.

## VOLUNTEERS AND TRAINING ESSENTIAL

The department is small but active. Training is ongoing and stressed as essential to modern fire fighting. There are fourteen or so active members who meet the first and third Wednesday of the month. Each meeting conducts business for roughly the first half hour and training is scheduled for the rest of the time.

Chief Jeff Ames, who earns \$300 per year, says it is hard to find enough volunteers who are able to dedicate the time to being members. Training takes more and more time now and, with most people working fulltime out of town, the Chief faces the same problems other



Wentworth Fire Department.

small towns in NH have: availability during the daytime hours.

Chief Ames has his own automotive and equipment business in town so is available most of the time. His son, Jason, who is also a member of the department, works with him.

May 16-17 the department will host a training opportunity for area towns called "Moving Big Water With No Hydrants" (see page 13). This event will focus on moving large amounts of water to a fire scene utilizing drop tanks and rural hitches. Many towns north and west of Wentworth use drop tanks, while

Wentworth and many other towns rely on the rural hitch. Cross training in both methods is necessary and this weekend event will facilitate that. The event has been organized by LRMFA and interested departments can get more information and register at [Irmfa.org](http://Irmfa.org).

When asked about recent incidents that left an impression on him, he mentioned the accident on Route 25 where two State Troopers and a prisoner were killed in an accident involving a lumber truck. He also talked about an incident on Route 118 where two children were killed when they were thrown out of the

back of a pickup truck. During a March snowstorm, Precision Sawmill (known as King Lumber at that time, later sold to Precision) had a large fire. Mutual aid was called and he remembers Plymouth's tanker going off the road on its way to Wentworth. The storm dropped more than three feet of snow before it was over! Evidently the tanker driver has had a hard time living down this event!

## CHIEF A "LOCAL"

Chief Ames grew up in Wentworth and in the fire department! His Dad was chief from 1969 until 2008, when Jeff became chief. Prior to 1969, John King, Sr. was the chief. Jeff was a junior member who began with the department in 1978. In 1980 he was voted in as a regular member and in 1983 put in as Deputy Chief. Because he's always been an outspoken supporter and member, he was chosen to be the new chief in 2008! As mentioned before, his son Jason is also on the department.

Chief Ames and his wife, Lisa, have four children: son Jason, and daughters Olivia, Ashley, and Erin. All of their kids have remained in the area, with Olivia and Erin working nearby, and Ashley living right in Wentworth. Wife Lisa works at the Glenclyff Home for the Elderly.

In his "spare" time, Chief Ames enjoys hunting, fishing, and riding his motorcycle. In addition to his fulltime business, he is also a registered NH Hunting Guide. 🚒

The west isn't the only part of the US to experience large forest fires.

This is a photo of smoke rising from a large forest fire in the Pemigewasset Valley in 1907. Logging camp buildings are in the foreground. Small fire departments in northern NH could be faced with this at any time. PHOTO COURTESY OF THE WHITE MOUNTAIN NATIONAL FOREST.



# Lakes Region W.E.T. Team Report

**PARTICIPATING COMMUNITIES:** Ashland, Belmont, Bristol, Campton/Thornton, Franklin, Holderness, New Hampton, Plymouth, Sanbornton, Tilton/Northfield.

**TRAINING:** 2014 was a progressive and exciting year for Swift/Flood Water not only here in the Lakes Region but statewide. Through a strong movement by Swift Water leaders and instructors, a solid curriculum (Rescue 3 International) has been adopted by the NH Fire Academy and is now being taught statewide. Coupled with this movement was a generous training grant that “flooded” our state and region with an abundance of rescuers, all trained to various levels.

**EVALUATING EFFICIENCY:** While this training was occurring, the Fire Chiefs who represent the Pemi and 3 Rivers Wet Teams met several times to evaluate the efficiency of training and response sustainability. It was agreed that a team merger would provide a more coordinated effort of readiness. As of January 1, 2015, the Pemi and 3 Rivers WET teams are now known as one team, The Lakes Region WET Team. It should be known that this team is a resource for any community in our Mutual Aid System; however, it is not a sanctioned entity of the Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid Association.

**FUNDING:** Training, equipment, and personnel are funded individually by each participating department. Each department supplies PPE to their own members. All labor/benefit costs are paid by individual departments to their own members. There are currently no dues.

**LEADERSHIP:** See Organizational Chart at right.

**ADMINISTRATION:** The Fire Chiefs of the participating communities have created an Oversight Committee consisting of Chief Dexter (19C1), Chief Clogston (18C1), Deputy Beland (C2), and Chief Yannuzzi (4C1) as the Chair.

**OPERATIONS:** A Modular Team was created to allow for streamlined operations and will also allow for future team growth. Terminology was taken from the National Tech Rescue Response Model. Our plan is to solidify our merger and re-evaluate additional department membership.

**RESPONSE:** Each participating department has created run cards for swift/flood response similar to current fire/EMS responses. The new LRMFA CAD system has afforded us the opportunity for this type of response model.

In the event a non-team member community is in need of Swift/Flood resources, the Incident Commander should contact LRMFA immediately; the IC should also be prepared to provide as much incident detail as possible.

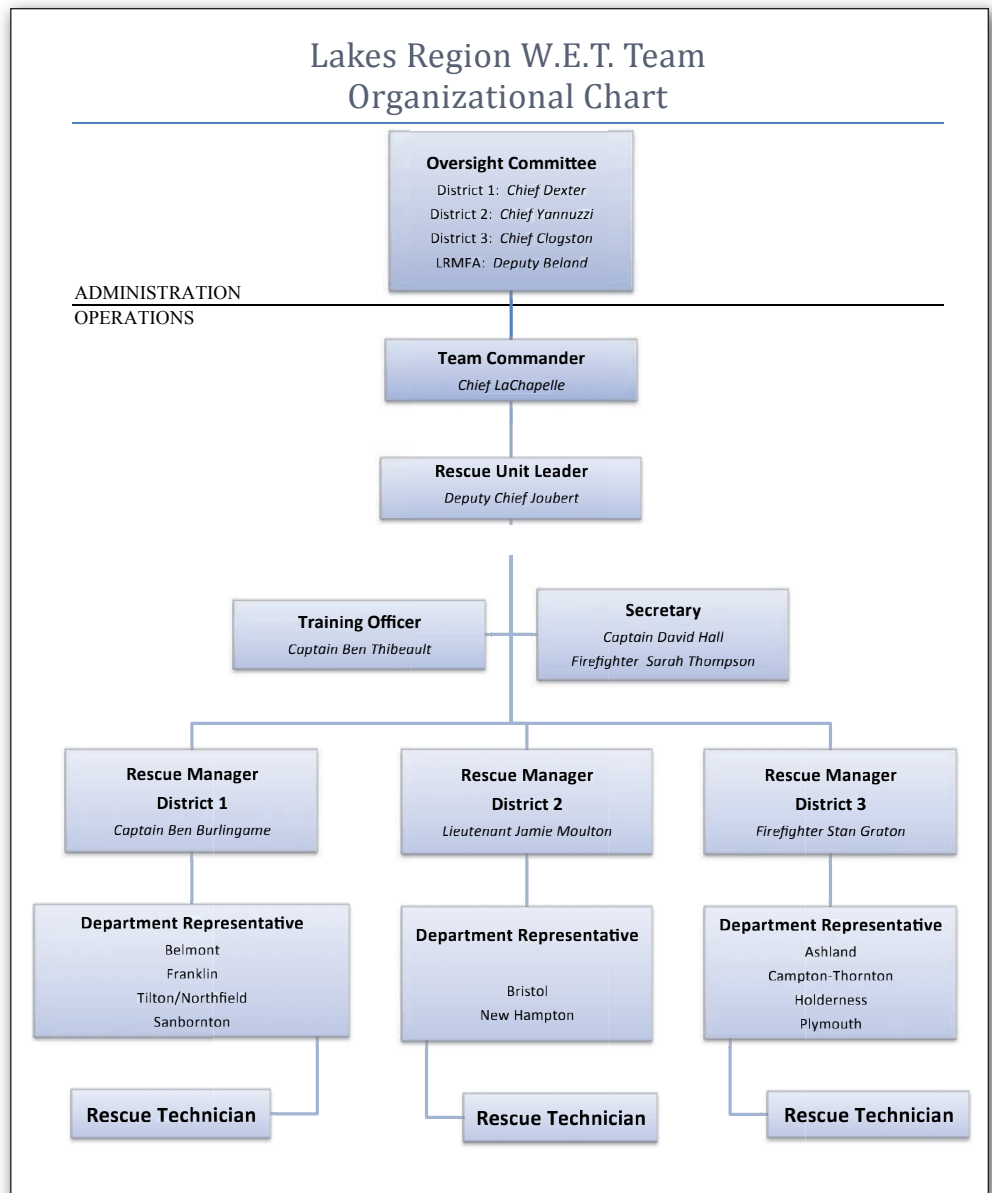
Similar to the HAZMAT Team Model, an LR WET Team Officer will evaluate the needs of the Incident Commander and coordinate a team response.

We are excited to continue to solidify our team merger throughout 2015. Our team leadership has identified many goals and objectives, which will enable our team to continue to grow to meet the future needs of our region.

Awareness and technical level certified programs have been scheduled for this winter and spring. Any department interested in awareness level training should contact the LRMFA Training Division.

We are confident that this coordinated effort, synchronized with the depth of training and experience of our members will allow for some of the most supreme mitigation at swift/flood water incidents.

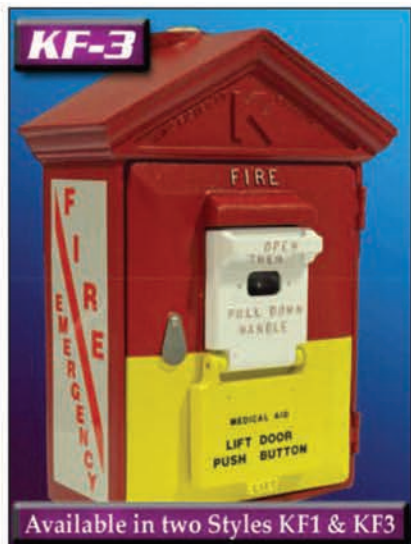
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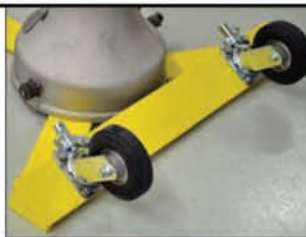
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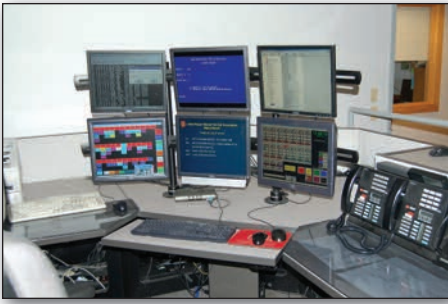
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One of the "old" work stations.



The new equipment starts arriving.



The new desks.



Dismantling the old desks.



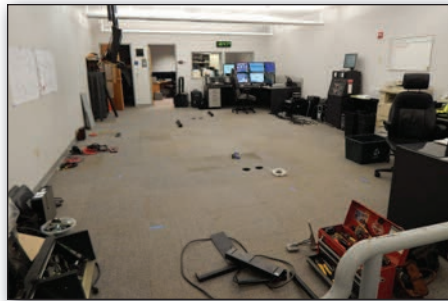
Computers and cabling.



The new desks being installed.



The original main work stations are now gone.



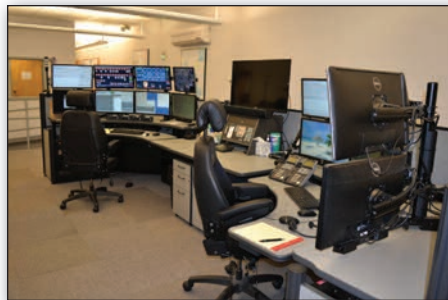
The training stations were used for awhile.



A training station in use.



New work stations being installed. The photo on the right shows a desk elevated to its maximum height. This features allows dispatchers to work standing up.



The finished product! Almost everything has been installed at this point.



# Campton-Thornton Fire Department First Quarter Events



Second alarm fire in Campton.



Ice rescue training, Campton.



Lift evacuation training.



Truck fire involving two trucks, Campton.



Motor vehicle accident in Thornton. DHART evacuation.



More motor vehicle accidents in Thornton, various dates.

## Danbury Fire Results in Loss of Life

Danbury Fire Department responded to a house fire around 8 p.m. on Thursday, February 19. The homeowner, Dean Martin, escaped from the house with assistance from neighbors who heard him screaming but they were unable to save his wife, Susan Martin. Mr. Martin was taken to New London Hospital but was later flown to

Boston where he was treated for second-degree burns over the upper half of his body.

Firefighters experienced difficulties due to cold winter weather. Water supplies froze, complicating firefighting efforts — a problem encountered on a regular basis by many departments during this past severe winter. 🚒

# Laconia Fire Department's Firefighting Grant Extended Until October 2015

In 2012, Laconia Fire Department received a \$642,028 grant for Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response. This grant, scheduled to run out this May, funded four positions within the department. Because of lower-than-expected costs associated with these four firefighters, rotation of grant

money, and a recently-approved grant extension, the jobs will be funded through until October this year.

City officials are looking at ways to continue funding these positions and phasing the firefighters into the city budget. It is hoped the money will come from a combination of funds from LRGH, the city budget, and a Firefighter Stabilization Account.

## Stratham Tire Loses 400+ Tires In Smokey February Fire



During Thursday evening, February 19, 2015, a warehouse at Stratham Tire caught fire, burning between 400 and 600 tires. The fire, located at 145 Water Street, spread thick smoke throughout the area. The photo above shows fire conditions on the delta side, early in the fire. More than 400 tires were saved.

## Construction Begins on Laconia Central Station Addition



Laconia Fire Department has broken ground on the addition to its Central Station. The new building will be two stories tall with 6,000 square feet per floor. The first floor will be all administration along with an EOC/community room. The second floor will consist of firefighter living quarters. The old building's third level is being converted to a training and exercise facility. There will also be one bay added to accommodate the units currently housed at the Lakeport Station.

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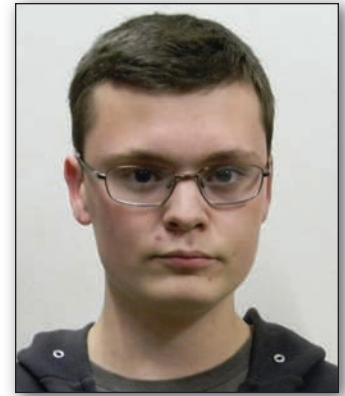
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## Training Division News

### **WILDLAND FIREFIGHTING: COMMAND, CONTROL AND SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS FOR THE COMPANY OFFICER**

**May 5, 2015.** 1830 hours. *Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid.* 62 Communications Dr., Laconia, NH 03246. Sponsored by Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid Training Division. No charge. Walk-in registration welcome.

Just as you are getting ready to sit down for lunch your pager opens and the tones go out. Your department is dispatched for the report of a brush fire. The location is a farm containing pasture and forested land, with a new housing development next to it. The temperature is 85F, with a slight wind from the west. The vegetation is showing the effects of a dry summer. Approximately one mile from the scene you see a plume of smoke in the air.

What are some of the hazards you should anticipate as you approach this fire? How do weather conditions influence the spread of wildland and ground fire? The spring wildland fire season is just around the corner. This program will give the Company Officer the needed knowledge to engage crews in wildland firefighting in a safe and effective manner. Topics covered will include Standard Firefighting Orders and 18 Watchout Situations.

*Instructor:* Ranger Stephen Kessler, NH DRED, Forest & Lands Protection.

### **IN HONOR OF THE CHARLESTON 9: A STUDY OF CHANGE FOLLOWING TRAGEDY — DR. DAVID GRIFFIN**

**May 18, 2015.** 9:00 a.m. *Lakes Region Community College.* Presented by Laconia Fire Department and Laconia Professional Firefighters Local 1153. *In Honor of The Charleston 9: A Study of Change Following Tragedy* is based on the best-selling book with that name. The book includes doctoral research helpful to all organizations, whether public, private, for-profit or non-profit, to determine whether organizational change is needed in their respective organization. Students are taken on an emotional

ride from the dark days of fighting fire in Charleston, SC — where nine firefighters perished in the line of duty — through today where the organization is now a national model for change. All organizations need to learn the lessons from Charleston to ensure they do not experience this type of tragic incident. This course utilizes never-before-seen video footage from June 18, 2007, as well as the radio traffic that coincides. It was developed and is presented by the first due pump operator/engineer on the scene of this multiple line of duty death incident.

Class starts promptly at 9 a.m. **The price is \$75.00 per person.** Coffee breaks and lunch are included!

Pre-registration is recommended and can be completed at Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid at [www.lrmfa.org](http://www.lrmfa.org). If you have questions, please call Laconia Fire at 524-6881.

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### **LAKE WINNIPESAUKEE FIRE & RESCUE BOAT RODEO**

**June 2, 2015.** 1830 hours. *Weirs Beach Public Boat Docks.* The program is sponsored by Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid Training Division. No charge. Walk-in registration welcome. All fire and rescue boats will be invited to gather at the Weirs to afford attendees the chance to see and learn about the capabilities of the “Big Lake” fire and rescue boats. There will be a demonstration of fire boat(s) supplying land-based units and more. The program will be followed by a cookout at Weirs Beach.

### **NH FST & EMS MONTHLY EMS CONTINUING EDUCATION**

Classes are held the first Wednesday of every month at the New Hampshire Fire Academy. 9:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m. FREE

- **May 6, 2015.** Dr. Katherine Lockwood  
90-286 Anatomy & Physiology
- **June 3, 2015.** Dr. James Suozzi  
90-287 High Functioning CPR, The Pit Crew and Beyond

#### **No Training July and August**

Breakfast provided — donations accepted to cover the cost. You may register for any or all of these opportunities by contacting Karen Louis at [karen.louis@dos.nh.gov](mailto:karen.louis@dos.nh.gov). Pre-registration is recommended as courses will be cancelled if enrollment is low. NH BEMS Phone: 603-223-4200 Fax: 603-271-1091. 🚒

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For more information contact Deputy Chief John Beland (LRMFA) at (603) 528-9111 or by email at [jbeland@lrmfa.org](mailto:jbeland@lrmfa.org)

# First Quarter Stats...

**JAN. 1, 2015–FEB. 28, 2015**

<b>Incidents Dispatched:</b>	January 2015	2,001
	February 2015	1,917
	March 2015	1,688
	<b>Total</b>	<b>5,606</b>

## Resources Available:

Engines	92	Tankers	12
Ladders	5	Rescues	22
Forestry	38	Ambulances	52
Utilities	26	Fire Boats	30
Towers	7	Air Units	5
ATVs	13	Command Vehicles	31

## Statistics:

- 🚒 Began operations in September of 1971. Moved operations to our current facility in June of 2000.
- 🚒 Dispatches Fire and Medical Emergencies for 35 communities and 35 Fire and EMS Agencies.
- 🚒 Serves a population of 115,383 residents.
- 🚒 Is spread over 5 NH Counties, covering a geographical area of 1,494 square miles (16% of the area of the State of NH – 1.5 times the size of the state of Rhode Island).
- 🚒 Protects over \$18.8 billion dollars of property.
- 🚒 Has an operating budget of \$1,165,880 (2014 budget).
- 🚒 Has 8 full-time and 7 part-time employees.
- 🚒 Dispatched 22,072 incidents during 2014 (60 calls per day).
- 🚒 Dispatched 21,570 incidents during 2013 (59.1 calls per day).
- 🚒 Dispatched 21,504 incidents during 2012 (58.92 calls per day).

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## First Quarter 2015 Statistics

**Number of incidents = 5,606**  
**Radio transmissions = 69,153**  
**Emergency phones = 6,875**  
**Admin phones = 4,927**

This breaks down on a daily basis to 62 incidents per day and 12 radio transmissions for each incident, or 768 per day on average. Along with the emergency incidents we answered/made 55 calls on the administrative lines per day and 76 calls on the emergency phones per day.



## Second Alarm Fire, Wentworth, Feb. 16, 2015



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## Department News

Send your Department News  
to  
[debbie@debbiekgraphics.com](mailto:debbie@debbiekgraphics.com).

Include new hires, promotions,  
new apparatus, department  
events,  
open training events, etc.

# Gilmanton Fire Dept. Battles Third Alarm Fire, Jan. 27

Winter weather complicated fire-fighting for the Gilmanton Fire Department during a January 27 fire on Upper City Road. Twenty fire departments eventually responded to the Bosiak Farm but the fire destroyed the three-story farmhouse and damaged several vehicles and some farm equipment. 🚒



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