

To: Chairperson Schubart & Trustees
From: Chief Tom Bremner
Date: August 18th / 2014
Sub: SSIFR Monthly Report (July / 2014)



- SSIFR membership responded to 69 calls for assistance

Response types were:

First Responder	30
Miscellaneous	21
Alarms	4
Motor Vehicle Incidents	5
Hazmat	3
Brush / Grass Fire	2
Public Assist	3
Water Rescue	1

Training Division Report: Captain Jamie Holmes

- Our Fulford training ground continues to be in high usage with all fire service personnel spending time at the facility.
- Recruits continue to train in hands on skills, classroom learning's & communications in becoming part of the team.
- Staff supported by many of the SSIFR members spent numerous hours prepping and working at the Training in Paradise event.

Operations; D/C Arjuna George

- Crews were kept very busy with medical first response calls, as well as two brush fires.

Updates: Chief Tom Bremner

- Fire Hydrants – Chief Bremner met with several people to discuss the history and visions of moving forward with this topic. NSSWD crews have been inspecting and providing maintenance to a number of hydrants within the NSSW District.
- SSIFPD Civic Number Boundaries - Chief Bremner met with resource person to begin the process of reviewing the past history and documents which hopefully will lead to an outcome of all boundary locations for SSIFR on SSI.

➤ **Fire Inspection / Prevention Division Report: Captain Dale Lundy & Lieutenant Mitchell Sherrin**

Child car seat Installs	2
Driveway Reviews	1
Burning Permits	1661 (for 2014)
Paperwork / Administration	Endless



- Captain Lundy spent numerous hours in preparation for the Training in Paradise event prior to annual vacation time.
- Lt Sherrin spent numerous hours in preparation and logistical support for the Training in Paradise event, provided regular articles to our media outlets, assisted with the installation of two child car seats, several fire hall and fire truck tours to small groups of visitors, assisted with website updates, completed a week-long course in Rope Rescue as well as responded to many public inquiries, calls for assistance and or miscellaneous items.
- The Rotary Smoke Alarm program is still active. We continue to remind residents it is the law that all single family dwellings require working smoke alarms.
- Burning permits are required effective April 15th each year until October 15th each year. They are good until April 15th of the following year before renewal is required for all classes of burning except Class 3. Permits can be obtained (for free) at the Ganges Fire Station during regular office hours. Please go to our website www.saltspringfire.com to review current fire bans and or conditions.
- To report poachers and polluters (which include poor venting smoke complaints), please call the Ministry of Environment RAPP line @ 1-877-952.7277 for assistance. To report Chainsaw usage relating to early shift or forestry shutdown please contact BC Forestry @ 250.731.3054