

Guemes Island Fire Department

Chief's Report

August, 2013

Training

August Drills

- August 7 - CPR/AED Update. Instructor(s): Bev Riesland. Attendance: 11.
- August 14 - Hazard Materials Operations Refresher. Instructor(s): Larry Pyke. Attendance: 9.
- August 21 - Splinting Skills and Burn Care. Instructor(s): Nancy White. Attendance: 9.
- August 28 - Structure Fire Search and Rescue. Instructor(s): Mike Stamper. Attendance: 8.

Off-Island Training

- Fall Firefighter Academy - Claire Woofenden is attending.

Responses

August Responses

- 5 Medical
- 6 Fire

2013 Response Totals

- 22 Medical
- 2 Water Rescue
- 17 Fire
- 0 Hazard Investigation
- 0 MVA
- 41 Total (last year's total: 42)

Administrative

- Assistance to Firefighters FEMA Grant. The West Skagit Chiefs would like to do a regional grant to update and standardize SCBA across all 4 departments. This grant will also include provisions to buy the first round of Bunker Gear in a planned replacement schedule for all four departments. The grant application period has not opened up yet, but we are already putting together the necessary materials.
- The officers are working on a new set of guidelines for Junior Firefighters with the aim of more clearly defining their roles and responsibilities. We hope to have a draft for the Board by the October meeting.
- It is budget season, and I expect to be working on next year's budget this month with the goal of having a rough draft to submit to the Board at the October meeting.