

JUNE CHIEF'S REPORT

Skagit County Fire District #17 Fire Chief Olivia Cole

Weekly Training Drills

- June 4th Stations! Wildland 1711/Traffic Safety/Radios/Scene Size Up (17)**
June 11th Hose Advancement/Naloxone/Epi (17)
June 18th All Company Med Night/Splinting/Vital Signs (15)
June 25th Retirement Party for Captain Tom Fouts (14)

Off Island Training

- June 25th OTEP training off island (1)**

On Island Training/Meetings/Detail Jobs

- June 7th,28th Donated water to Marvin Gardens (3)**
June 9th,22nd Tree Removal (3)
June 29th Installed "No Fireworks Signs" (1)
June 30th SCBA Monthly Battery Checks (1)

Fire/Med Calls for June 2020-2024

2020	9
2021	10
2022	11
2023	11
2024	11

Fire/Med Calls for June 2025

9

Administrative

Ferry Management would not allow me to put up our “No Fireworks” sign this year on the loading gantry. They explained that they received too many negative comments from visitors last year when it was displayed on their reader board.

July 4th was exhausting. We dealt with a lot of disgruntled islanders and their family members.

Where do we go from here? Full Burn Ban? No, Fireworks, even the legal ones, need to be banned from the island? Law Enforcement on duty out here?

All of our surrounding districts were dealing with brush fires as well as two structure fires and a vehicle fire on the 4th of July, all caused by fireworks. It is only a matter of time before we have a significant incident out here with no help en route within the time needed.

The ferry crew is down to 4 Captains, which means they will all be over their allotted time and will not be able to respond outside of business hours.

Sea Western Representatives are in the process of measuring crew members for new bunker gear.

Commissioners Meeting dates need to be reviewed and discussed for the remainder of the year. The monthly paycheck for May, which is normally mailed on June 25th and delivered on the 26th, was delayed by 15 days. It finally arrived on July 11th!

Coming Up!

August 5th Neighborhood Night Out

