



The Indian

The Official Newsletter of the New Hackensack Fire Company

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President's Report

Doug Roe

I hope everyone has had a great summer, because it is winding down very quickly and school will be here before we know it. As is most months at New Hackensack, August was a busy month. On August 7th, 34 members went to Pawling to parade and I would like to thank everyone that came out. We had a great time barbecuing both before and after the parade and although we did not get the trophy we went for we did get Best Regulation, Congratulations to all.

I would like to thank Vinny and everyone involved in making the Benefit Run happen finally good weather. Community Day is coming up and this year it is a two day event. On Saturday, the 11th there will be a Town Memorial service and possible NKFD family barbeque at the pavilion followed by fireworks at night by the town. Sunday we will be in the Community Day Parade. We have many things coming up the end of September and October so if you have some free time check out the calendar and come down to the firehouse when you can. Have a safe month!

Admin. Officers Meeting,
Wednesday, Sept. 1st, at 7:30P.M.

Company Meeting,
Thursday, Sept. 2nd, at 7:30 P.M.

Chief's Report

Rocco DiMase

I am never very happy when the September Indian comes due because that means that

summer is over and the cold weather is right around the corner. I am not a fan of cold weather.

With September also comes the opening of the new school year so remember to drive safely as there will be many more kids on the streets. I would like to congratulate everyone who marched in the Pawling parade as we won best appearing regulation. Thank you to everyone who came down to help for the benefit ride on the 21st. This was the first time it was good weather for us and it showed as around 60 bikes showed up for the event, along with about 5 vehicles.

The new tanker is still scheduled for delivery sometime in October so we will be looking forward to that. Also work is continuing on the rescue. We are currently in the very early stages of investigating the use of the Fairchild property as a training area. We will keep you posted of any developments. The semi-annual membership reviews have been completed and the necessary letters have been mailed. If you received one please make sure you have a plan to improve the areas that you are delinquent in. Everyone have a safe month and be healthy.

What's the two things they tell you are healthiest to eat? Chicken and fish... You know what you should do? Combine them ... eat a penguin. ~Dave Attell

Commissioner's Report

No report given.

Commissioner's Meeting

Tuesday, Sept 7th at 7:00 P.M.

Training

Frank Paulo

Congratulations to everyone that came out to march at the Pawling parade. While we unfortunately did not bring home Bud's trophy, we did win for Best Regulation and we also had a really great time as a fire company. I'm sure Bud would have been very proud of our efforts. Thank you to Chris Heady for loading up his truck and trailer and bringing the supplies for our BBQ fest. I believe everyone in attendance had a nice time as we barbequed before and after the parade. Congratulations to Unionvale for winning Bud's trophy three years in a row and taking it home.

I would like to congratulate FF Jim Woeckener for completing FF1 this past month. Also, congratulations to FF's Mike Valentino Jr, Tom Walker, and Fire Police Captain Steve Miller on their completion of EVOC.

We have taken delivery of a new forcible entry training unit and it is currently in the old bays. It should not be used without the supervision of an officer or Career FF Ineson. Lt. Kovalsky will be working up the forcible entry drill and you all will get an opportunity to see how the training device works if you participate in the drill.

On September 13th, there will be a change to the normal drill schedule. I have arranged to have the training officer at Sikorsky Fire Department come to AAG, for aircraft training on the Sikorsky S76 and S92 helicopters. AAG operates 10 S76 aircraft and has

just taken delivery of a much larger S92 to add to the fleet. It was brought to my attention that getting some instruction on how to handle emergency operations on these aircraft would be of interest. We will learn about battery locations as well as firefighting techniques and some familiarization of the aircraft. Due to his schedule, there will be two training sessions, the first will be at 3:00pm and the second will be at 6:00pm. Please mark your calendars as the 7:00 normal training session on this day will be 6:00. We will still do a morning checkout. The DC Airport ARFF team as well as Arlington and Lagrange have been invited to attend due to their proximity to the airport. The drills will be about 2 ½ hrs. For both sessions, members are asked to meet at the firehouse and come over on apparatus or car pool. I do not want to inconvenience the AAG staff with having to monitor the gate for security reasons with stragglers. There will be no latecomers allowed so be earlier and be on time! AAG will be operating their business during these training sessions so I ask everyone to be professional and courteous. I do not want to inconvenience the staff at work any more than necessary. Thank you in advance.

Training Schedule

Chris Morley

All stations and drills are posted on the calendar!! Please make every effort to attend!!!

Station

Glen Morrice

This month we are going to start out with Wappingers Community Day on Saturday, September 11th and Sunday, September 12th so far that we need to get all apparatus ready for this parade. I am scheduling work detail for Thursday, September 9th starting at 1900. There is some talk about BBQing at the Firehouse Pavilion on September 11 after the Town's 9/11 memorial service

(will be discussed at company meeting). Then we have our mandatory Annual Hose Test on Friday, September 24th and Saturday, September 25th, so come on down to the firehouse play with some hose, eat some food and maybe even get a little wet. Times and sign up sheets are posted in the Communications Room.

If you haven't heard 52-12 has been outfitted with the new Hurst Equipment and will be the first to respond to auto accidents. Please familiarize yourself with the operation and location of the new equipment.

Fire Prevention

Glen Morrice

Morrice

Town of Wappingers Community Day is Saturday and Sunday, September 11th and 12th. As usual we will need help running the Fire Prevention Trailer on Sunday the 12. Sign up sheet is in the Communication room.

We also have the Kids Expo in Poughkeepsie on Sunday the 26 from 10-4. We will be bringing the Fire Prevention Trailer up to the Children's Museum. It will be a busy day if you can help a sign up sheet is in the Communications Room.

Fire Prevention Week this year is October 3rd -9th and the theme is **Smoke Alarms: A Sound You Can Live With**. This year's campaign is designed to educate people about the importance of smoke alarms and encourages everyone to take the steps necessary to update and maintain their home smoke alarm protection. Open house is October 10th. During Fire Prevention Week, we will need help at some of the nursery schools and Myers Corners Elementary. Sign up sheets will be put in the Communications room in a few weeks, so please sign up and help out if you can.

Parade Committee

J. Howard Prager

Congratulations to everyone who marched in the

Pawling parade and won the 1st Best Regulation trophy. Our band also won the Best Sr. Band trophy.

The next parade is the Town of Wappingers Community Day parade, Sunday September 12th. Line-up is at 1 P.M. and Step-off is 2P.M.

Let's have another great turnout since this parade is right here in our District and all our neighbors will be watching.

Let's keep practicing so we can bring home more trophies next year.

2010 Benefit Ride

Vinny Valentino

Well it is around 2100 as I sit here trying to stay awake and write my Indian report. The New Hackensack 4th Annual Benefit Ride is over and as with most everything we do, it was a great success. I may be a little prejudiced when I say that, but when isn't something we do a success? I would like to start off by thanking the committee that worked so hard with me on this year's event. Glen Morrice took on the daunting task of going out and soliciting gift certificates to use as door prizes and did an outstanding job. We ended up with over 50 door prizes to give away, as they Semper FI Parents donated 6 gift baskets as well. Joe and Stephanie Kovalsky were on the committee and put in much time and effort to make this year's event the success that it was. Joe's mom Arlene also went out and got some gift certificates for us as well. Also, Mike Detheridge, Frank Paulo, Brenda Valentino, Karen Heady and Rob Fortier were able to procure some additional gift certificates too. Rob & Terry Fortier also went out a number of times delivering posters for the event. Thanks also to Tony Marquez for going out for at least two full days delivering flyers for the event. Tony started in the Rhinebeck area and worked his way down through Dutchess and

into Putnam County, and also went out to the Danbury area as well.

As always, I have a great kitchen staff to thank that took care of the food for the day's event. Andy Mihans, Mike Valentino, Fred Smith, Kyle Pottenburgh, Mike Cherubini, Bobby Lombardi, Joe Norton, Dennis Lasowski, Brenda Valentino all spent the better part of the day in the kitchen. If I forgot anyone that was in the kitchen I apologize. Rocco and Leona DiMase again ran the bake sale to help raise money as well. Sam Calvelli was there for the fourth year to take care of the bike rider registration, as was Arlene and Stephanie Kovalsky, Jules and Chip Eurillo. There were many other members that took part in countless smaller but equally important jobs during the day that needed to be done, and I know I would probably miss someone if I tried to name them all now as I write this. To all of you that took part, THANK YOU for your time and effort. We started at 0830 and finished up around 1800, but it was well worth the time and effort. We raised almost \$2095.00 during the course of the day's events to donate to the Semper Fi Parents of the Hudson Valley. If you could have seen the look on Paula Zwilling's face when I presented the check to her and said how much it was for, well, at that point I knew it was worth the time and effort of the past 6 months.

We have countless businesses to thank for their generosity in donating the items we raffled off as door prizes. We had 50 items donated to us, and the Semper Fi Parents donated 5 or 6 gift baskets as well for us to use. I received many compliments from a number of riders, including the president of Rolling Thunder after the ride was completed saying what a great job we did on organizing the ride, how smoothly everything went, and how enjoyable it was. When you have people like that, who have been

organizing rides for much longer than we have say those things to you, you know you did a good job.

Again thanks to everyone that put in time and helped out on the ride. Oh, and we will be doing one next year, so please keep that in mind. Thanks again!!!

Newspaper

Julia E. Eurillo

It is that time again!!! Please help me with articles and pictures for OUR Newspaper!! Any little thing can help! Please email me your work at: jejm625@aol.com ! It makes it really easy to put it in the computer. This includes all pictures! Ads will be needed as well! Please email all ads to: NKFDNewspaper@aol.com.

As of the publishing of the Indian, I only have one Ad and three articles. Please get me your articles and pictures ASAP! If you have any ads please make sure that they are back to me by September 17th.

The newspaper should be here to stuff Monday, September 27 and we should have them completed by the Thursday, September 30th. It is critical that anybody that is around stops down to help stuff the bags for delivery. We are not fortunate enough to have a Company Meeting the hits the night before we are scheduled to begin delivery!

Delivery is again scheduled for Oct. 1st & 2nd. Please mark your calendars and come to help! Sign up sheets will be posted!

Again, Thanks for all of your help!

The Indian & Calendar

Julia E. Eurillo

Reminder to all Officers & Chairpersons: If you have something to put in the Indian or to appear on the Calendar just email it to me by the deadline on the calendar.

Dates to Remember:

Commissioner's Meeting:

September 7th at 7:00pm.

Admin. Officer's Meeting:

Sept. 1st, at 7:30pm.

Line Officer's Meeting:

Sept. 2nd, at 6:00pm.

Company Meeting:

Sept. 2nd, at 7:30pm.

Station Days: *Sept. 13th & 27th.*

Station Nights: *Sept. 20th.*

Drills:

Sept. 13th: *Aircraft Familiarization*

Two times: 1500hrs & 1800hrs.

Location: *AAG*

Sept. 20th: *AM: Forcible Entry L2*

PM: CPR: 52-9

Sept. 22nd: *PM: CPR: 52-9*

Sept. 27th: *PM: CPR Refresher 52-9*

Work Details: *Sept. 9th@1900hrs*

Parades: *Town: Sept. 12th.*

Hose Test: *Sept. 24th & 25th.*

Event: *Kids Expo: Sept. 26th.*

Newspaper: *Sept. 27th – Sept. 30th.*

Indian Deadline: *Sept. 24th!!*

Prager's Trivia

J. Howard Prager

Answer to June's question:

When were adjustable fog nozzles first used? **1863**

This month's question.

What Englishman received the first patent for a fire engine?

Look up the answer and let me know.

Editor's Note:

Do to an oversight on my part Howie's Trivia did not get in July's Edition. I was unable to post the answer in the August edition since I did not have the file on the laptop with me in Virginia!! Again, my apologies to Howie and to all of you for keeping you waiting!!

Stay tuned for more trivia from Howie in the future!
