



MARTEN RIVER VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

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TRAINING

Oct 7th Captain Cantin attended an event at North Bay's Lee Park (800 Memorial Drive) hosted by the peer support group called "**Boots on the Ground**". www.bootsongtheground.ca This group is working to establishing a presents in Northern Ontario. They are working to raise awareness of the need for increased mental health support for all first responders and front line emergency management and MNRF fire fighters. Speakers shared their mental health support success stories and distributed information regarding available mental health services.

Oct.7th Fourteen members completed the annual WHMIS training. Trainer/Deputy Chief Siegner used the online "**WHMIS 2015 Awareness**" power-point and each member completed the testing. The **training schedule** extending to August 2020 was completed and distributed to each member. **Decontamination kits** were made up and installed on Pumper 4 and Rescue 3. Fire fighters were familiarized with the kits contents and safe use.

Oct.21st Trainer/Deputy Chief Siegner instructed nine fire fighters on the use and function of the "**Emergency Response Guidebook**". The Transport Canada 2016 online power-point showed members how to navigate the guidebook, identify the hazards, potential risks & evacuation zones (Day/Night), find the emergency first aid measures and identify required personal protective equipment. Practical exercises using the manual ensued, followed by discussion stressing, safety, contacting CANUTEC and the availability of HAZMAT teams through the Mutual Aid Association.

INCIDENTS

Oct.11th Fire fighters responded to a MVC involving a car and a Black Bear on Highway 11 at Bluestone Road. Two persons were injured. OPP, EMS and towing services were on scene when the fire department arrived. No services were required.

FIRE PREVENTION

The illuminated sign was changed to read:



OTHER NEWS

- A.J. Stone completed the annual inspection for eight SCBA unit and eight SCBA face masks
- Marten River Fire Department was notified of a donation made in memory of the Late Terri Fisher.
- Gateway Signs repaired the illuminated sign and install decaling on the fire hall overhead doors.



- Seemore Graphis prepared decalling (Fire Department Decal and Name) for Pumper 4. These were installed by Fire Chief Elliott and Fire fighter N. Malbrecht.



- The fire department prepared and submitted an application to the “Jenny’s Heros Canada Equipment Fall 2019 Grant” program.