

DART NewsLetter

Drowning Accident Rescue Team, P.O. Box 711, Elk Grove, CA 95711, June 1, 2005

Operations

I hope this month finds you all well. We've come along way this year and are working toward improving our operations even more. Thanks to everyone who has shown up at training, responded to calls, gave us insight in how to better our operations and finally for all of your patience and support.

All Day Training

On Saturday June 25th from 8am to 5pm we will have an all day training day. Hopefully after this training we can take a short break as we have been in over drive with the training this year.

We're not going to stop training, just make it more fun. We've completed some of the hard to get training like CPR, First Aid, DAN O2 and now this training. The rest of the year Operations is going to concentrate on some in-the-water activities.

Please don't miss this all day training. Whether you are working on shore support, diver, team leader or just plain need updating this is the day to attend. It will be a long day but we're going to hit a lot of topics as listed below. If you want to know more about what our board and operations deals with on an on-going basis, you'll definitely want to make this day. The knowledge you gain will not only help you understand what the team leaders are dealing with on the scene but how important your job is and why we depend on you every time you respond to a call.

Below is the tentative schedule.

8:00 - 10:00

Detective Wes Murrish

Crime Scene Investigation

10:00 - 12:00

Sergeant Paul Hauptman

ICS/NIMS compliance

12:00-1:00

Lunch

1:00-2:00

Lt. Tassone - Jim Collentine

Public Affairs- Radio Procedures

2:00-2:45

Russ Docken

Waterway Locations

2:45- 3:30

Bob Moore

Diving Physiology

3:30 - 5:00

Ron Roberts

Equipment/On-scene Management

Sheriff's ID

All members need to have a Sheriff's Volunteer Application filled out and turned into the Secretary. You also need to obtain a live scan and get a Sheriff ID. If you do not have your Sheriff ID you will not be able to respond to calls. This is important, so please don't procrastinate! If you need to get a Verizon Pager call Ron Roberts for the necessary paperwork.

Fireworks

This year's chairman is once again Chris Martinez. Glad to have him once again step up for this task.

The fireworks booth will be open from 10am to 10pm each day. The hardest thing to do is set up every morning and tear down every night. This has been left to just a few over the last couple of years. We need everyone that can make it to schedule some hours at the booth and when ever possible come down to the booth at 9am and again at 9pm to help with the packing and unpacking.

We need a minimum of two people in the booth at all times. We should have a busy year as it is a three day weekend with the 4th being on Monday.

The fourth of July is our busiest day yet we struggle for help. Last year we had three lines, 30 feet deep and no where near enough help. So please, help during the week is necessary but also on the fourth!

We will page out how the sign-up will take place. We're also seeing if we can put it on the web site.

Remember this is our biggest fund raising activity. That means everyone is needed to help. With these funds, we will be able to meet our budget requirements and keep our equipment up to standards.

Education

May 7th - Jim Dagger, Doug Perman & Lori Frost helped me with Safetyville USA "Family & Health Expo".

May 14th - Darlene Lewis and Jeff Steyskall did the DART display at Dillard Elementary School in Wilton.

May 14th - Theresa Hernandez and myself did the DART display for the Davis Police Dept. "Safety Fair".

May 16th Ron Roberts & John Mohamad did the DART presentation for JFK High School/Sacramento Police Academy Class.

May 17th - Ron Roberts & Jim Dagger did the DART display for OES in Downtown Sacramento.

John Mohamad & Walt Deckert have been a God send in helping with the school presentations at Charles Mack and Samuel Kennedy Elementary Schools. One presentation was cut short due to a call we had down off Hood/Franklin. Ron Pronechen and Theresa Hernandez stayed late to help clean-up the equipment after the call. Thanks to everyone who have taken the time to come out and help!

Clarence Watson - Education Chairman

Social Events

Dart will have its annual picnic at John Mohamads' house on July 30 . All the information for this event will be given out at the General Meeting this month.

We're planning a quarterly family get together beginning on Sept 17th. As you know when something happens to one of us our families stick together. So we're going to meet at a location for all of us to get to know one another and simply socialize. Yes kids are welcome to this one. This will be pay your own way. If you know of a good place, i.e.. pizza parlor or any other place we can meet give Ron Roberts a call.



AUGUST 2005

1	2 Dart Board Meeting 6:30 Dart Office	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 Pool Training CHP Pool 6pm	10	11	12
14	15	16 Dart General Meeting 7:00 Board 6:00pm	17	18	19
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June 2005

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12	13	14 Pool Training CHP Pool 6pm	15	16	17	18
19	20	21 Dart General Meeting 7:00 Board 6:00pm	22	23	24	25 Training 8-5 Bond Road
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The first Board Meeting of the month will be held at the DART office located at 1521 Corporate Way, Suite 210, Sacramento. The General Meeting and second Board Meeting are held at Sutter Memorial Hospital - 5151 F street, Sacramento. For educational events (ie, safety faires, expo's etc.) call Clarence Watson to volunteer (363-2998).

