

# Kennebecasis Valley Fire Department



2014 Annual Report



# Chief Ireland:

I'm sorry, but I don't know their names although I'm sure that they told me. What I do know is that without their rapid response and intervention I probably would not be writing this note to you. It was Tuesday morning in a blizzard when we called 911 because of a suspected (and in fact actual) heart attack.

Your guys were first on scene to our house in K Park.
Neither roads nor driveway had been plowed. In they came with all their kit.
Calmly, professionally and reassuringly they did their stuff. And when the ambulance came and I was loaded on the stretcher they all helped to drive that stretcher down the long driveway through waist-deep snow to the ambulance.

I can't tell you how grateful I am for their help. You should be proud of your team! Thanks,

Rick

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# **Vision Statement**

The vision conveys a sense of destiny, discovery and direction. It articulates where the KVFD wants to be ten years from today.

The Kennebecasis Valley Fire Department is recognized as a first-class fire service that protects people and property contributing to the prosperity of the communities in the coverage area.

# Mission Statement

The mission statement summarizes KVFD's nature and purpose. The mission conveys a sense of who we are, what we do and why we do it.

The Kennebecasis Valley Fire Department protects people and property by ensuring public safety and efficient fire protection and prevention.

# Strategic Goal

The overarching strategic goal is:

The Kennebecasis Valley Fire Department will ensure that facilities, services and personnel provide safe, superior and cost-effective fire services and emergency response tailored to the needs of the coverage area.



### Fire Chief's Message



It is with great pride that I present the 2014 Kennebecasis Valley Fire Department Annual Report which summarizes the Department's activities in 2014.

It seems that each year my letter of introduction focuses on the many changes that have taken place within our organization over the past twelve months; 2014 is no different. Many significant changes and improvements took place thanks to the support of The Joint Board of Fire Commissioners.

Our department's management structure was improved by the creation of two new positions with the title of Platoon Chief. The department also changed the role that volunteer members perform to support our organization. These changes in structure and deployment allow us to maximize the capacity of our on-duty personnel and appropriately match our resources to community needs and expectations.

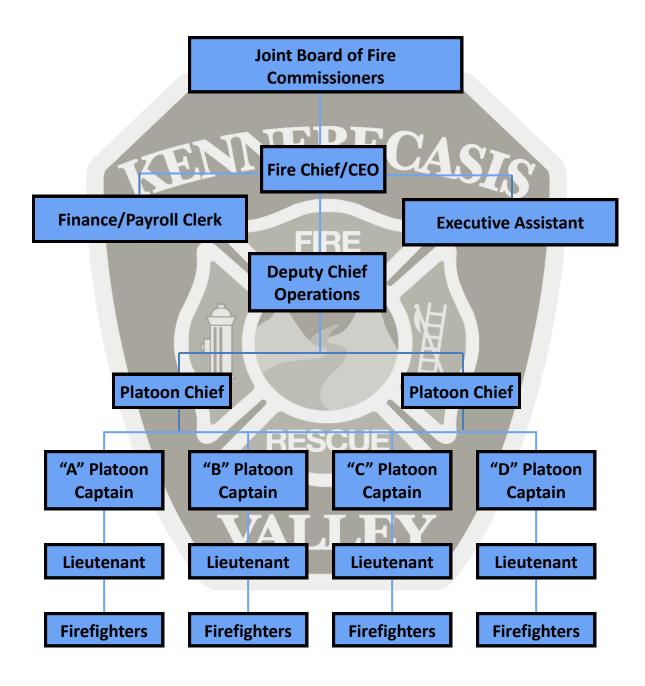
I want to convey my sincere thank you to you and all members of the Kennebecasis Valley Fire Department for the excellent and prompt work in putting out the fire at my home in Rothesay. Your prompt attention to extinguishing the flames most definitely saved my house. Just a few more minutes and it would have been a very different story. — William T.

In 2014, we welcomed our new Department Chaplain Bruce Smith who will help stengthen our holistic approach to member health and wellness. We lost a combined 103 years of firefighting experience to retirement, but also added eight new faces to our group. We acquired new equipment and undertook specialized training in order to provide more service to the community.

Despite all of the changes some things remained the same. Our reliance on evidence-based decision making continued to move us towards our vision to be "recognized as a first-class fire service that protects people and property while contributing to the prosperity of the community". Our members continued to deliver effective and efficient service to our community as evidenced by the positive feedback I received - some of which is highlighted throughout this report. And as always, I remained proud, humbled and honoured to be able to lead such a courageous, committed and compassionate group of firefighters.

Bill Ireland, CFO Fire Chief/CEO

# **Organizational Chart**





#### **BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS**

Chair – Pat Gallagher Jette
Vice-Chair – Libby O'Hara
Treasurer – Kirk Miller
Blair MacDonald
Robert McIntyre
Katrina White
Brian Shanks
Roger Young

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF**

Bill Ireland, Fire Chief/CEO
Carlene MacBean, Executive Assistant
Corinne Carpenter, Finance/Payroll Clerk

#### **COMMAND STAFF**

Dan McCoy, Deputy Fire Chief Kevin Clynick, Platoon Chief (A + B Platoons) Michael Boyle, Platoon Chief (C + D Platoons)

#### **STATION 1**

Captain William Gentleman Captain Mark McCully Captain Paul Thompson Captain Roger Finlay Senior Firefighter Paul Nixon Senior Firefighter Shawn White Senior Firefighter Grant Graham Senior Firefighter Robert MacLeod Firefighter Daniel Richard Firefighter Robert Hamilton Firefighter Karey Madill Firefighter Eric Boyle Firefighter Bruce LeBlanc Firefighter Scott Carr Firefighter Karen Trecartin Firefighter Nicholas Arsenault Holiday Relief Firefighter Joel Armstrong Holiday Relief Firefighter Justin Cowan Holiday Relief Firefighter Nathan Ashfield Holiday Relief Firefighter Nathan Garrett

#### **STATION 2**

Lieutenant John Codling Lieutenant J. Reggie Verner Lieutenant Douglas Barrett Lieutenant James LeBlanc Firefighter Scott Dunbar Firefighter Andrew Boyle Firefighter Roy Chase Firefighter Paul Broderick Firefighter Paul Spinks Firefighter Michael Nixon Firefighter Keith Scichilone Firefighter Donald Kearney Firefighter Shane Johnson Firefighter Andrew Steeves Firefighter Shane Day Firefighter Matthew McCully Holiday Relief Firefighter Harry Ludford Holiday Relief Firefighter Bradley Ingersoll Holiday Relief Firefighter Anthony Storey Holiday Relief Firefighter Craig Buck

#### FIREGROUND INCIDENT TECHNICIANS

Mark Braydon
William (Ed) Gaynes
Hayley O'Brien
Matthew Snelgrove
Brandon Ferguson

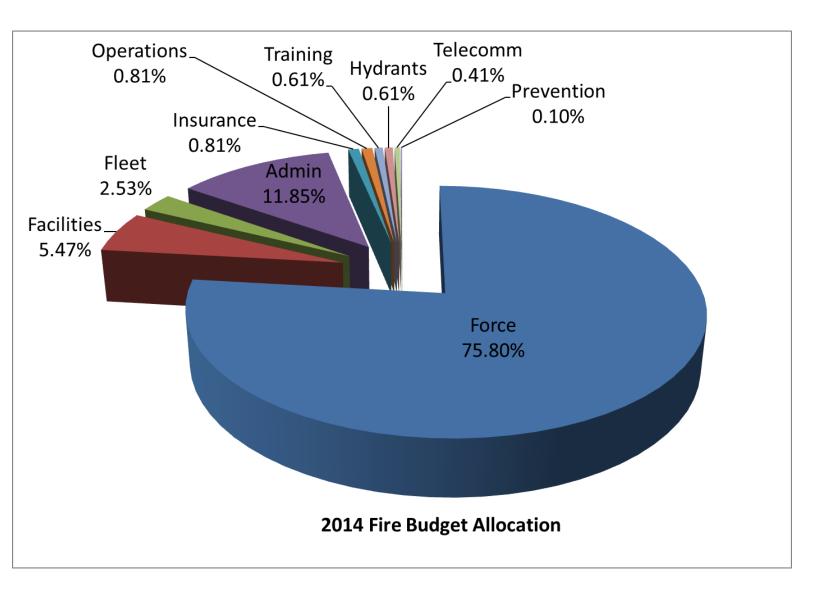
Jimmy Stewart
Stephen Noseworthy
Jonathan Stanley
Jamie Allison
Ben Morrison

Aaron Stewart Adam Holly Dan Desjardins David Dickeson

#### **CHAPLAIN**

**Bruce Smith** 





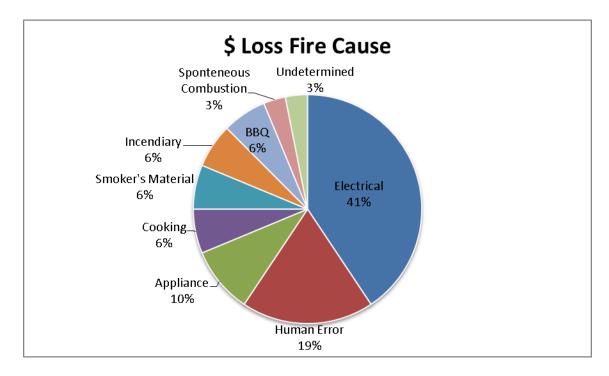


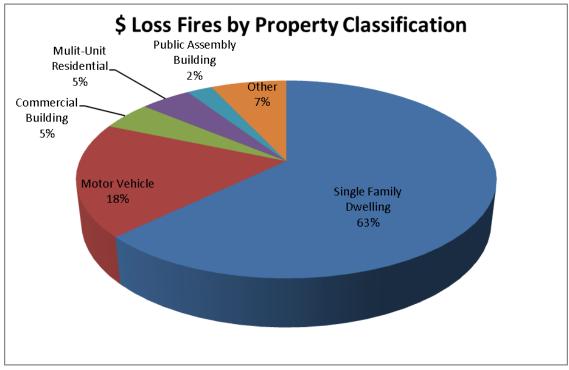
# **BUDGET**

ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET					
EXPENSES:	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
ADMINISTRATION:	\$ 439,089	\$ 432,513	\$ 459,340	\$ 491,546	\$ 514,027
FIREFIGHTING FORCE:	\$ 2,466,950	\$ 2,676,180	\$ 2,873,656	\$ 3,123,306	\$ 3,314,356
TELECOMMUNICATIONS:	\$ 13,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 14,500	\$ 17,120	\$ 18,600
INSURANCE:	\$ 44,000	\$ 47,364	\$ 36,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 34,000
PREVENTION AND TRAINING	\$ 27,200	\$ 26,600	\$ 28,000	\$ 34,500	\$ 34,600
FACILITIES	\$ 229,610	\$ 232,407	\$ 235,735	\$ 236,397	\$ 236,922
FLEET:	\$ 91,600	\$ 89,000	\$ 103,600	\$ 111,900	\$ 110,600
OPERATIONS:	\$ 57,500	\$ 63,500	\$ 42,300	\$ 32,800	\$ 45,400
WATER COSTS:	\$ 21,464	\$ 22,295	\$ 23,868	\$ 24,763	\$ 26,130
OTHER:					
Miscellaneous	\$ 4,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
Retirement Allowance		\$ 33,100	\$ 36,000		\$ 38,500
TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENSES	\$ 3,395,095	\$ 3,639,459	\$ 3,854,499	\$ 4,108,832	\$ 4,374,635



# **Statistics**







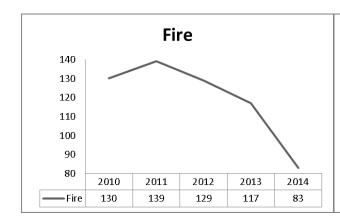
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Kennebecasis Valley Fire Department	Rothesay	Quispamsis	Outside	<b>2014 Total</b>
2014 Responses by Community	Rottiesay	Quisparisis	Coverage	2014 IOCAI
			Area	
Fire/explosion - dollar loss	16	22	4	42
Rubbish/grass fire - no dollar loss	18	16	-	34
Chimney Fire	4	3		7
Total Fire	38			
Rescue - Miscellaneous	5	1	0	6
Vehicle Accident	39	45		91
Total Rescue or Resuscitation call	44			
Public Hazard - gasoline or fuel spill	2	3	_	5
Public Hazard - power line down / utility pole	40	32	1	73
hazard				
Public Hazard - miscellaneous	7	6		
Total Public hazard	49	41	1	91
Gas Leak - propane	6	5	0	11
Gas Leak - response to carbon monoxide	5	3	0	8
detector alarm				
Total Gas leak	11	8	0	19
Public Service - first aid	264	278	9	551
Public Service - assist police or other agency	4	6	0	10
Public Service - mutual aid	0	0	11	11
Public Service - animal rescue	0	1	0	1
Public Service - flooding	12	10	0	22
Public Service- miscellaneous	16	16	0	32
Total Public services	296	311	20	627
Alarm No Fire - accidental miscellaneous	27	17	1	45
Alarm No Fire - smoke or steam mistaken	6	5	0	11
Alarm No Fire - sprinkler surge or discharge	0	2	0	2
Alarm No Fire - detector activated	22	43	0	65
Alarm No Fire - unknown odours	1	3	0	4
Alarm No Fire - miscellaneous	14	12	0	26
Total Alarm no fire - No malicious intent	70	82	1	153
False Alarm (Mischief) - municipal alarm	0	0	0	0
system				
False Alarm (Mischief) - miscellaneous	2	2	0	4
Total False alarm - Mischief	2	2	0	_4
Total Reponse Types Kennebecasis Valley Fire	510	531	33	1074
Percentage by Community	47.5%	49.4%	3.1%	100%

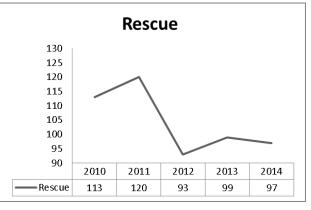


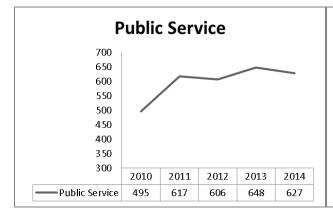
Kennebecasis Valley Fire Department 5 Year Comparision	2010 Total	-	2012 Total	2013 Total	2014 Total	5 Year Average
Fire/explosion - dollar loss	40	43	30	41	42	
Rubbish/grass fire - no dollar loss	83	84	91	64	34	
Chimney Fire	7	12	8	12	7	
Total Fire	130	139	129	117	83	120
Rescue - Miscellaneous	10	12	13	7	6	
Vehicle Accident	103	108	80	92	91	
Total Rescue or Resuscitation call	113	120	93	99	97	104
Public Hazard - gasoline or fuel spill	16	10	11	9	4	
Public Hazard - power line down / utility pole hazard	13	30	17	81	70	
Public Hazard - miscellaneous	10	8	21	25	17	
Total Public hazard	39	48	49	115	91	68
Gas Leak - propane	4	5	6	5	11	
Gas Leak - response to carbon monoxide detector alarm	9	12	9	16	8	
Total Gas leak	13	17	15	21	19	17
Public Service - first aid	366	577	567	600		
Public Service - assist police or other agency	80	5	10	3	10	
Public Service - mutual aid	6	8	8	22	11	
Public Service - animal rescue	0	3	1	3	1	
Public Service - flooding	2	9	1	7	22	
Public Service- miscellaneous	41	15	19	13	32	
Total Public services	495			648		
Alarm No Fire - accidental miscellaneous	39	29	31	26	45	
Alarm No Fire - smoke or steam mistaken	13	17	17	12	11	
Alarm No Fire - sprinkler surge or discharge	10	3	0	3	2	
Alarm No Fire - detector activated	75	74	54	76	64	
Alarm No Fire - unknown odours	10	11	8	7	5	
Alarm No Fire - miscellaneous	22	23	17	21	26	
Total Alarm no fire - No malicious intent	169	157	127	145	153	150
False Alarm (Mischief) - municipal alarm system	2	2	4	1	0	
False Alarm (Mischief) - miscellaneous	3	5	8	9	4	
Total False alarm - Mischief	5				-	
Total Incident situation unclassified	10					
Total Reponse Types Kennebecasis Valley Fire	974					

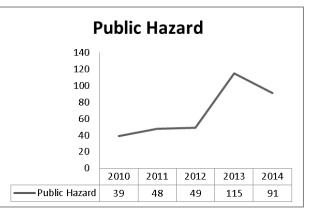


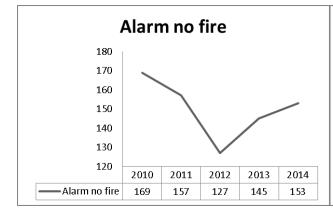
# Five Year Trend 2010-2014

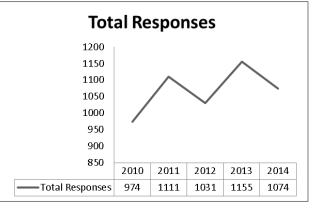












I just have to thank-you and the Fire Department for your quick response and help on Christmas Day when you received our call for help! I don't even know how to thank-you!! After breathing in all that smoke and hardly being able to breathe, I have a much deeper appreciation for all that you do. You are all very brave and deserving of the very best.

Thank-you again from the bottom of my heart!

Cheryl



### **Operations Division**



Our overall response total for 2014 was slightly lower than 2013. We see each year that weather related incidents continue to be a factor for our department. These types of incidents have been classified as low frequency and low risk, meaning that they don't happen often, usually in the spring, and there isn't a significant risk to the public. With weather pattern changes in our four seasons we see these incidents becoming more frequent, although the risk factor would still be considered low. When these incidents occur they are over a short duration (12-24 hrs) however they

create a significant call volume which overwhelms our daily operational complement and requires additional staffing to operate apparatus to handle the significant number of calls. As an example, during a storm in July the department responded to fifty-two calls in a little more than twenty-four hours.

Fire related calls declined by 33% due mainly to the 50% reduction in the number of rubbish and grass fires. Unfortunately, our response to dollar loss fires increased by one over the previous year to 42. In 2014, there were nine fires that required in-depth investigation by the Department. Of the nine investigated, seven were classified as accidental in nature and two were considered incendiary. Of the accidental fires, four were caused by an electrical malfunction, one was caused by materials too close to a heating source and two were caused by improperly discarded smoking materials.

In 2014, the Department enhanced its operational structure with the hiring of two Platoon Chiefs. The addition of these positions provides Incident Command Staff supervision on shift 24 hours a day. They have been a welcomed addition to our suppression operations.

The department also added and upgraded its equipment inventory. Some of the extrication equipment used by the department was old technology and created challenges with the new vehicles on the roads today. The upgrade to these tools allows us to meet those challenges as well making all of our equipment interchangeable. As well, the department replaced a number of its air cylinders to carbon fibre from aluminum. The lighter weight of the new cylinders helps to prevent fatigue and exhaustion of our members. Also, we have purchased new firefighting nozzles which will provide increased water flow to help combat the fire dynamics found today in new home construction.

The department also invested in our ability to provide Remote off Road Rescue response. The department purchased specialty equipment needed for this type of response and trained all personnel on its use.

I would like to express my thanks to our members for their dedication and hard work. We look forward to meeting the many challenges that 2015 will bring.

Dan McCoy, CFO, CFI Deputy Fire Chief



# **Significant Fire Incidents**



### April 13<sup>th</sup> - Allan-A-Dale Lane

First arriving crews reported a large column of black smoke and visible flames from the rear of this raised bungalow. The proximity of a large propane cylinder added to the complexity of this incident with the fire extending into the roof. No injuries to the occupants and fire crews were able to salvage a large quantity of personal possessions for the owners.



June 8<sup>th</sup> – Sixth Street

Fire was venting through the window of this minihome when crews arrived creating an exposure risk to the neighbouring residence. An aggressive interior attack prevented the fire from spreading beyond the room of origin, but the interior of the home suffered significant smoke and heat damage.



August 24<sup>th</sup> - Rothesay Road

A KRPF officer on patrol noticed smoke coming from the basement of this unoccupied residence and alerted our department. A water tower operation using Quint 1 was required to finally bring this stubborn fire under control.



October 14<sup>th</sup> – French Village Road

Flames were through the roof of this vacant residence when crews arrived on scene. This building had been the site of two previous fires and was completely destroyed by this blaze.



# **Recognition for Heroic Actions**



Pictured – HRFF Craig Buck, A/Lieutenant Robert MacLeod, FF Nick Arsenault, FF Eric Boyle

Letter of Commendation

A Letter of Commendation was presented to the crew of D Platoon, Station 1 in recognition of their response to an on-shore report of a swamped canoe sinking in heavy swells on the Kennebecasis River. The skillful and professional manner in which they performed their duties resulted in the rescue of two civilians who were struggling to swim to safety. Training, preparation and the unified synchronization of their assignments resulted in a rapid response that ultimately prevented a dangerous situation from becoming a tragic event for two local families. This truly was a team effort when every second mattered and because of their contribution the lives of two young people were saved.

A Letter of Commendation is given to firefighters who clearly distinguish themselves by performing their duty in a manner which exemplifies our department credo of <u>courage</u>, <u>commitment</u> and <u>compassion</u>.

# Fire Prevention Division



The Kennebecasis Valley Fire Department maintains an active approach to fire prevention within the community with a focus on life safety and education. Through the use of social media, elementary school life safety education, the "Firefighter for a Day" program, fire department open house and station tours we strive to deliver life safety education in many different ways. With development underway, the Department is proud to also be introducing a new initiative to focus on safety in the home through our new "HomeSafe" program.

Continuing on a solid record of fire and life safety education, the Kennebecasis Valley Fire Department has again been very active in public fire prevention education over the past year. Last year, we were able to provide station tours to over 180 preschool and school age children and conducted over 30 site visits to community events, day cares, and participated in numerous school fire drills.

We continue to offer a car seat installation program with certified car seat technicians and performed many installations in 2014.

Our efforts in the school system have continued with Grade 3 students with an emphasis on providing information on fire safety and the importance of a home fire escape plan. This runs in conjunction with our "Firefighter for a Day" program.

Continuing with our social media presence on Twitter and Facebook, we provide information on fire safety, updating the public on EMO and weather warnings, and keeping you informed of our emergency incidents. The fall of 2014 was focused on the development of our newly updated website, www.kvfire.ca, which was officially launched in early 2015.



#### **Community Partnerships – Parkland in the Valley**

Each year KVFD cooperates with Parkland in the Valley in providing fire and life safety education to the clients there, and continued this education in 2014. From the Parkland in the Valley website:

"It's a trusted partnership," says John Campbell, General Manager of Parkland in the Valley. "The KVFD meets with us regularly not just for inspections but they also meet with our staff and clients on emergency preparedness. This brings a great deal of comfort to our campus by ensuring public safety as well as efficient fire protection and prevention.

It is important for everyone working and living at Parkland in the Valley to understand how the building is designed to keep them safe and to know their role in the event of a fire emergency. When KVFD visits to participate in these annual education sessions they take the time to review safety protocol and also explain what actions will be taken by the fire department when they arrive in an emergency situation. This detailed level of communication enables the prevention of harmful situations and provides important opportunities to educate clients about life safety skills in the event that an emergency does occur.

KVFD's commitment to Parkland in the Valley also benefits the firefighters. The Department has taken special efforts to understand the clientele of Parkland in the Valley and how best to work with this population in an emergency situation and they have also used Jubilee Hall as a training ground for firefighters on building construction, elevator training and high rise operations."



#### **Fire Prevention Week**



This year our department participated in Fire Prevention Week with the theme of "Working Smoke Alarms Save Lives" in conjunction with the Office of the Fire Marshal. Through the use of social media including Facebook and Twitter, as well as public displays at Canadian Tire and the Superstore, the message was to check your smoke alarms monthly and be aware of the age of your smoke detectors and when to replace the batteries.

#### **Open House**



The Open House is an annual event when members of the public are encouraged to tour the fire station and sit inside various types of emergency response vehicles. This year we demonstrated how to use a fire extinguisher on real flames and an auto extrication demonstration, showing how we use our rescue tools to help those injured and trapped in a car accident.

During the open house, firefighters provide continuous tours of the fire station, presentations

on how to properly don firefighter personal protective equipment as well as a review of smoke alarm safety and how to crawl under smoke. There is a free barbeque, fire safety information pamphlets and handouts for children.

#### **Firefighter for a Day Contest**

Each year we hold the "Firefighter for a Day" contest for Grade 3 students where they must complete a home escape plan for their family. All of these students within our community have the opportunity to participate in the contest. In the beginning of each school year all Grade 3 English and French classes are visited and are provided a home escape plan grid as well as directions on how to complete it. They are encouraged to bring it home to work on with their families and then return it to the school office upon completion. The contest winner's home escape plan must indicate two ways out of every room, where their smoke alarms are located and also where their family meeting place is located.



The winner of the "Firefighter for a Day" contest for 2014, Joseph Andreani of the Kennebecasis Park Elementary School, was picked up at school by a fire truck and spent the day with KVFD members as an honorary firefighter. He was provided with his own personal protective equipment and participated in various activities with the on duty firefighters such as a station tour, equipment demonstrations, a ride in the fire engine, and lunch with the crew. Joseph was also presented a certificate declaring him an honorary firefighter and driven home by a fire truck at the end of the day.

Mike Boyle Platoon Chief



### **Training Division**



In 2014, our mission to "protect people" was enhanced by increasing the level of service available to our community. Lt. Reg Verner was successful in acquiring his off-road rescue instructor designation through the NBCC Miramichi Fire Service Training program and introduced a new and complex skill set to all KVFD firefighters expanding our technical rescue capabilities. Each platoon was subjected to a two day training session that

incorporated a number of low angle rescue scenarios and every member was certified to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1006 Technical Rescuer Professional Qualification Standard for offroad and rope rescue. This training and equipment adds to our existing repertoire of technical rescue services which includes ice rescue, water rescue, and vehicle rescue.

This year the department hired four new holiday relief firefighters who began learning and developing new skills under the guidance of Lt. John Codling. After completion of their orientation training they were assigned to a Platoon and supervised by shift company officers.

The Zone 2 training trailer was utilized so that new policy could be developed then practiced in the area of firefighter Mayday and Rapid Intervention. The objective is to have a fully equipped rescue team on scene and in a ready state to deploy for rescuing injured and trapped firefighters.

A new training schedule was developed in 2014 to be implemented in early 2015 that would see every firefighter receive training on every day shift consisting of fire operations, medical first responder or special technical operations.

This year the department hosted four Holland College fire academy cadets during their eight week onthe-job-training (OJT) assignment. Each was assigned to one of the four platoons and took advantage of their opportunity to experience how our department interacts with the community from an emergency response and philanthropic perspective.

For the third consecutive year six members of the department attended the Fire Department Information Conference (FDIC) Atlantic which is a focal point for educational seminars directed at emergency responders.

Four of the department's members also took advantage of the continuing education fire service management program offered at Dalhousie University.

Kevin Clynick Platoon Chief



### 2014 Education & Training Certifications

#### Certificate in Fire Service Leadership

Seni<mark>or Firefighter Paul Nixon</mark> Seni<mark>or Firefighter Robert MacLeod</mark>

#### Fire Service Instructor I

Captain Roger Finlay
Senior Firefighter Paul Nixon
Senior Firefighter Robert MacLeod

#### **Program Evaluation and Statistics**

Senior Firefighter Shawn White

#### Disaster Management and the Fire Service

Senior Firefighter Shawn White

#### Coaching the Emergency Vehicle Operator II

HR Firefighter Harry Ludford
HR Firefighter Bradley Ingersoll
HR Firefighter Anthony Storey
HR Firefighter Chris Mason

#### Fire Investigator I

Captain Roger Finlay
Captain Mark McCully
Captain Bill Gentleman
Lieutenant Doug Barrett

# Fire and Life Safety Educator

Platoon Chief Mike Boyle

#### Fire Investigator Level II

Captain Roger Finlay Captain Mark McCully Lieutenant Doug Barrett

#### Atlantic Fire Department Information Conference

Lieutenant John Codling
Lieutenant Reg Verner
Firefighter Donald Kearney
Firefighter Paul Spinks
HR Firefighter Andrew Steeves
HR Firefighter Nathan Garrett

# Forensic Investigation Photography

Deputy Chief Dan McCoy

#### Human Resource Management – Michigan State University

Fire Chief Bill Ireland

Workforce Management and Development – Michigan State University

Fire Chief Bill Ireland

We just wanted to say thank-you to the firefighters who spent the morning at our Free Fun Fair with us recently. We appreciated that they came, walked around, talked to people and helped us reach out into our community. It made our day that much more successful. Pastor Barry Todd

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# Message from the President of IAFF Local 3591

2014 should be defined as the "Year about Change" for the Kennebecasis Firefighters.

Unfortunately, the year began on a solemn note, as we lost one of our Retirees Barry Hamilton to a courageous battle with cancer. Barry spent over 25 years proudly serving the citizens of the Kennebecasis Valley, and we will forever remember his great smile and his singing Elvis Presley hits throughout the firehouse.

We also said good bye to three contributing members of our Association. Jim Smith, retired as a Captain and member of Local 3591 after 30 plus years of service, former member Alick Taylor retired after 30 plus years of service, in which he ended his career with the Command Staff as Assistant Deputy Chief. Local 3591 also said goodbye to Mike Boyle, who was serving as Secretary of our Local when he was promoted to a newly formed Platoon Chief and joined the ranks of KVFD's Command Staff. Mike served this local with selflessness, compassion and leadership and we are certain he will continue these traits in his new role and new career within the KVFD. We would like to wish Mike, Jim and Alick all the best in their future endeavours.

2014 was not just about goodbyes, as our family became larger in 2014. We had four new members join our ranks and we proudly swore them into our fraternity in May.

As we endured so much change, it was imperative for our organization to forge ahead and continue to serve our communities both professionally on the job but also doing many charitable events while off duty. Local 3591 have been entrenched with our charitable donations, so much that we have founded our own *Non-Profit* Organization to better serve the needs of our two great communities. At the end of 2014, we launched the first of its kind for Firefighters in this region the '*Kennebecasis Firefighters Charitable Society*.' To further this commitment we recognized a need to have a proper facility. As a result, we have joined forces with the *Fairvale Outing Association* and have moved our Office to our new location on River Road in Rothesay. We hope that collectively we will be a formidable force, working to better serve our communities.

We have ended 2014 on such a positive note, we look forward to sharing our vision and effort with all of the great families in which we serve. We have launched a new logo, to exemplify what 2014 means to us... Change!

Respectfully.

J. Re gie Verner, President Ken ebecasis Firefighters Union

IAFF 3591





# Kennebecasis Valley Fire Department Personnel Achievements

#### **Retirements**

Assistant Deputy Chief Alick Taylor – 32 years service Captain James Smith – 31 years service Firefighter George Cole – 40 years service







#### **Promotions**

Mike Boyle – Senior Firefighter to Platoon Chief
Mark McCully – Captain (term) to Captain
J. Reggie Verner – Lieutenant (term) to Lieutenant
Grant Graham – Firefighter to Senior Firefighter
Shane Day – Full-time Firefighter (term) to Full-time Firefighter
Shane Johnson – Holiday Relief Firefighter to Full-time Firefighter
Andrew Steeves – Holiday Relief Firefighter to Full-time Firefighter

#### **New Members**

Platoon Chief Kevin Clynick
Holiday Relief Firefighter Harry Ludford
Holiday Relief Firefighter Bradley Ingersoll
Holiday Relief Firefighter Anthony Storey
Holiday Relief Firefighter Chris Mason
Auxiliary Member Jamie Allison
Auxiliary Member David Dickeson
Auxiliary Member Brandon Ferguson



### 2014 Long Service Recognition Ceremony

Our member's career achievements from January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2013 were honoured on March 29, 2014 at the Quispamsis Civic Building. This bi-annual event demonstrates the dedication and commitment each one of our members has to the community.

# Federal Fire Services Exemplary Service Awards

#### Second Bar - 40 Years of Service

Presented by: MP Rodney Weston



Firefighter George Cole

#### First Bar - 30 Years of Service

Presented by: MP Rodney Weston



Captain Bill Gentleman



Lieutenant (ret) Raymond McCaskill



Firefighter Eric Boyle

Not Pictured: Lieutenant (ret) Eric Hardy Firefighter Robert Hamilton



# **Exemplary Service Medal - 20 Years of Service**

Presented by: MP Rodney Weston



Firefighter Bruce LeBlanc

# Provincial Fire Services Awards

### First Bar - 35 years

Presented by: The Honourable Hugh Flemming, MLA & Regional Fire Marshal Jeff Cross



Assistant Deputy (ret) Alick Taylor

### Service Medal - 25 years

Presented by: The Honourable Hugh Flemming, MLA & Regional Fire Marshal Jeff Cross



Lieutenant John Codling



Firefighter Eric Boyle



# Provincial Fire Services Awards

# Service Pin - 15 Years

Presented by: The Honourable Hugh Flemming, MLA & Regional Fire Marshal Jeff Cross



Lieutenant Doug Barrett



Senior Firefighter Mike Boyle



Senior Firefighter Paul Nixon



Senior Firefighter Shawn White



Firefighter Mike Nixon



Volunteer Firefighter Mark Braydon



March 9, 1950 - February 17, 2014



On February 17, 2014, our department was deeply saddened by the loss of retired firefighter Barry Hamilton after a courageous battle with cancer. Barry joined the department as a volunteer in 1984 and became a full-time member in 1986. He retired from active duty in June of 2010.

Barry's joy for life and his job was contagious and he was always smiling and singing while onduty. He had a real talent for keeping the fire apparatus in top condition and our equipment was always "parade-ready" when Barry was at work. After his retirement, Barry continued to be involved with the department and was a regular at our Tuesday morning hockey games where he impressed our younger members with his scoring touch and stamina.



Barry's passing was a stark reminder about the high incidence of cancer in our profession and has served to make our department safer for present and future members. New policies and procedures have been put into place and the department has made a significant investment in the health and welfare of our members.

A committed "family man" who touched the lives of many, Barry is dearly missed by his fire department family.



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