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May 20 TBD. All Battalions at Station 64

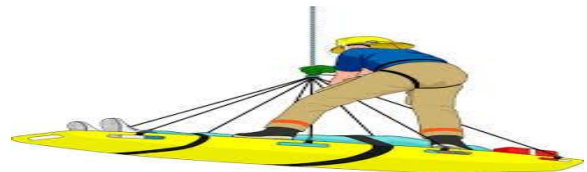
Training and Drill Schedule Subject to Change.

Mandatory – ONLINE DRILL

March-May Wildland Safety Refresher/ ICS

July-Sept Confined Space Awareness

Any questions on training, please contact:
Battalion 69, Jason Keune at VFPD desk 707-230-6175 or email Jason.keune@vfpd.net



The Search and Rescue Team is made up from active members of the District. The purpose of the Team is to search for and provide aid to those who are in distress or imminent danger. The Search and Rescue Team meets the last Wednesday of each month. Training times and locations change so pay attention to pager tests for updated information. Any questions, please contact Captain Mark Hesel via email at mark.hesel@vfpd.net See Events for this month's drill and training.



Board of Directors

The next Meeting is May 21st at 1900 hours at Station 64. All information can be found on the vfpd.net website. All public information is available 72 hours prior to each board meeting via the vfpd.net website.

Vacaville Fire District

Burn Permits can now be purchased online. See the vfpd.net website for details.

Paid Staff shifts are now 10 hours, giving the District 2 more hours of paid staff coverage, 7 days a week.

Vacaville Firemen's Association

The VVFA is made up from active members of the District. The object of the Association shall be community service and to promote a fellowship and social program amongst and for the Vacaville Fire Protection District personnel, their families, and the community. Meetings are the 2nd Monday of every month. If you are not a member, please attend a meeting so you can see what we are about.

April Association Meeting

The Vacaville Volunteer Firemen's Association met for our Quarterly Dinner meeting at Mel's Diner in Vacaville. There was a good attendance. If you still need to complete an application, see Paul Dahlen.

Solano County Firemen's Association

EVENTS Past

Suisun District and Solano Dispatch hosted the Solano County Fireman's Association, Quarterly Dinner meeting at Suisun District Station 32, on April 19th. A good time was had by all.

EVENTS Current

New Units

Former OES 319 is now assigned to Battalion 67 as E67.



The engine purchased from Patterson Fire Department will be housed at either Station 65 or Station 64. E65 will become E68, providing a closed cab engine at every Station.



EVENTS Upcoming Training

Wildland Community Preparedness Day

Join for a day of family fun activities and how to be wildfire ready. Saturday May 4th from 10am through 2pm. There will be food trucks, fire demonstrations, family activities, and meet your local fire and law enforcement partners. Event will be held at Lake Solano Park in the Picnic Area.

Travis AFB FD

Travis AFB FD will be conducting training burns on May 6-7-8, on a Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday schedule from 0900 to 1200hrs. We have been invited to participate with a crew and an engine on any of the days. Crews wanting to go will need to meet out at the Travis FD Training Grounds on Perimeter Road each of the days before 0900hrs. This is an opportunity to do some live-fire training. See Battalion 69, Jason Keune or Captain Dahlen for details.

Chief Self will also be putting on a Fire Control 5 Aircraft Rescue & Fire Fighting (ARFF) course in June of 2024. This is an entry-level class to introduce Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting. The class will be put on sometime in June of 2024 to include a burn and certification. The course fee is expected to be about \$180 per student. See Captain Dahlen for details

EVENTS Past

Funeral services were held for Vacaville City Fire Chief and former District member Bob Powell on Monday April 22nd at Trinity Baptist Church and Vacaville Cemetery. There were several agencies there to show their respect and acknowledgement of all the things Chief Powell had accomplished in his service to our Country, City and County.



WEBSITE

The Vacaville Fire Protection District Website, vfpd.net, is being updated regularly. There are links to video's, photos, public information, and dates to remember.

Applications for Volunteer Firefighter are now available through the website only. Spread the word if you know someone interested in volunteering.

Navigating the Website:

Step 1) Look for your search bar on the internet.
Step 2) Type vfpd.net into the search bar and hit Enter
Step 3) Scroll up or down to find a category of interest.

Step 4) Put your mouse or curser over that category and press enter.

That subject will then be displayed.

Reminders!

- Securing stations/vehicle – before leaving for the night, all doors are to be locked and all vehicles shall be properly secured.
- The District Equipment storage area is provided for your gear and only the assigned member should be in the assigned area. Do not borrow any equipment from the assigned storage area.
- Fuel (top off), clean, and lock up units upon returning to stations after meetings, incidents, Duty Officer Assignment, etc. Take time to fill out the gas log neatly and completely.
- Station cleaning – it shall be the responsibility of all members to assist in keeping their assigned station clean.
- Ensure ALL personnel are using Active 911
- **Fire Reports: Always assign someone as the "Reporting Officer."** All reports must be completed in ESO and turned in by noon the day after the incident. If the incident is cancelled, a report must still be submitted. **Please do not put any times on the Incident Report**, those are put in by administration.

"New Recruit Binders" should be checked off and signed. Make sure to get them turned in within the allotted time frame. This is a requirement. See your FTO with any questions.





Upcoming Dates to Remember

- May 6 DRILL, 1900 hours ALL Battalions at Station 64. **Subject to Change.**
- May 12 MOTHER'S DAY.
- May 13 Vacaville Volunteer Fireman's Association meeting 1900 hours.
- May 20 DRILL, 1900 hours ALL Battalions at **Station 64. Subject to Change.**
- May 21 Directors Meeting, 1900 hours at Station 64.
- May 25 Fiesta Days and Parade.
- May 27 Memorial Day.
- June 3 DRILL, 1900 hours ALL Battalions at **Station 64. Subject to Change.**
- June 10 Vacaville Volunteer Fireman's Association, 1900 at Station 64.
- June 16 FATHER'S DAY.
- June 17 DRILL, 1900 hours ALL Battalions at **Station 64. Subject to Change.**
- July 1 DRILL, 1900 hours ALL Battalions at **Station 64. Subject to Change.**
- July 4 4th of July Fire Patrol.
- July 8 Vacaville Volunteer Fireman's Association Quarterly Dinner meeting 1900 hours. Station 64. Justin Means.
- July 16 Directors Meeting, 1900 hours at Station 64.
- July 19 Solano County Fireman's Association Quarterly Dinner. **TBD**
- July 22 DRILL, 1900 hours ALL Battalions at **Station 64. Subject to Change.**



Do you have a fire related item you want to sell? With approval you may post your item here. Please send photos of your items with pricing to Jon Nelson, to be added to the Monitor. jdskratchn@aol.com or text to 707-628-4543.

\$\$\$\$ District T-Shirt Flash Sale \$\$\$\$

The Vacaville Volunteer Fireman's Association is liquidating!! The new design has been approved and new shirts will be ordered for stock once the old design is depleted.

ALL T-shirts, ANY SIZE in stock are on sale for \$10. White, Blue, Front/Back and Front only. ALL \$10. All remaining belt buckles are \$8. Work Shirts are \$50. Sweatshirts are \$15. Mesh- snap back hats are \$5. And more..... Contact Chaplain Robert Duvall at 707-685-5341.

MESSAGES FROM YOUR EDITOR



If you have anything you would like printed in the next Monitor; please:

- drop it off at Station 64 with Shilo Moore or
- send Email to Jon Nelson at jdskratchn@aol.com or text to 707-628-4543.

Please have information to us prior to the 20th of the month. Thank you.

