

Madeline Island Service Report

November, 2013

We have reached our quiet season now. We had one transport this month.

We had our regular monthly meeting and started our training meetings. We started off with a very good review of the rescue sled and ATV run practice. These will include a meeting with Lifeflight, one with a mid wife, one with the police department and other training issues. We are looking into when we need to schedule our CPR and regular refresher in the spring. We are hoping to schedule our refreshed in April but need to do our CPR earlier to keep everyone licensed. John Carlson is signed up to take a CPR refresher in November since he was out of sequence with the others. He will refresh with us again and then we will all be on the same schedule.

We are still coming up with the January thru February schedules with three teams instead of two. Since Sarah is taking most of December off because of her pregnancy we are all filling in for her and trading weeks to keep us covered. The teams are made up of a leader and a more senior member and a new member. We feel that this is a good mix. We spent some time at our last meeting going over the Holiday season and making sure that everyone who needs to be away for a Holiday is able to be and the service is covered.

We found out what the problem with our Medicare application was. It seems that when Bremer Bank changed its computer system some of the numbers on our accounts were changed and Medicare refused to work with those numbers until Carol filled out a new application. I have had calls from Medicare about our application and they seem to be satisfied now and our service will continue.

Respectfully Submitted,

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