

Madeline Island Ambulance Service Report

August 23, 2016

During the month of July we had seventeen calls. We are in full busy season mode and everyone is aware that we are short on EMTs and need to be covered and available at all times when on call. So far in August we have had 15 runs. Last weekend there were five calls. So, we are all aware of keeping both ambulances fully stocked and ready to go.

We have started to sell raffle tickets. If anyone needs tickets, please contact one of the firefighters or EMTs. We all have tickets to sell.

I will be attending the monthly area EMS association meeting this next week.

We are still waiting for Dave to take his test and be fully licensed though he has begun to ride along and respond to calls. We do have a new student this fall and we are hoping that everything will work out well with her.

We have some interesting training ideas for fall. The Ashland Paramedics would like to come over and go over the new immobilizing equipment. There is a move to reduce the use of backboards because of our long transports and how uncomfortable and perhaps damaging they can be. We also want our computer person back to fully implement the new software. We would like a meeting where police officers are available for questions about protocols when they are involved with incidents. We would all like to work on our incident command skills since we have had more calls involving both ambulances and the fire department.

Respectfully Submitted,

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