

**BOONE COUNTY WATER RESCUE
MONTHLY REPORT
December 2001**

General Activities

1. For the month of December, the team had one general meeting; and other various supervisor meetings reference on going details.
2. Christmas with Santa for the team members children.

Winter training programs

1. Organizing the ice rescue classes with various departments that will be taking the training. There will be one under the ice recovery training and at least four ice rescue-training events scheduled for January and February.
2. Our EMS personnel will concentrate on gaining necessary CEU's through the winter months.
3. CPR and First aid re-certification will be scheduled.

Evidence Collection & Misc. Details

1. Kenton County, City of Covington, on going search (scheduled twice a month) for a weapon used in a murder case at the mouth of the Licking River and the Ohio River. Drop camera and divers are being used to try to locate the small handgun. This detail is on going and is extremely difficult. The search will continue with the drop camera and with divers on standby in the event the weapon is found.
2. Kenton County, City of Covington, Dec 11th a male subject jumped off the I-75 bridge, the subject stopped his vehicle on the upper deck and quickly jumped into the river, the search was conducted from approximately 150 feet from the left descending bank to the north pier, the victim has not been found as of this date, this is a on going detail, scheduled visual searches are being conducted.
3. Kenton County, City of Covington, a van was stolen containing Bio Hazard materials (blood, biopsy's, etc), from various hospitals in the area, the vehicle was ran into Prisoner lake in Devou Park, the vehicle was found in approximately 10 feet of water upside down. The divers and top side personnel was working in extreme cold conditions which limited the amount of bottom time, the vehicle had to be stabilized under the water before the divers could hook it up to be pulled out. This was a high-risk detail.

Miscellaneous

1. The dive truck and squad has been completed reference reorganizing the equipment, the van reorganization is on going.
 2. On going all boats are in the process having the winter maintenance program which includes cleaning the entire boat, repainting where needed, checking all communications and electronics, scheduling any re-lettering or general maintenance of the engines and complete winterizing.
 3. On going all diving equipment is inventoried and is being checked for annual servicing, visual and hydro inspections of all the tanks, dry suits are inspected and tested for leaks, all diving helmets are checked, the underwater communications are tested, and numerous other pieces of equipment including the underwater camera equipment are inspected for possible performance failures.
 4. Beginning the end of the year reports.
 5. Each department head will be working on the budget process for the 2002-03.
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