

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

General Activities

1. For the month of October, the team had two general meetings; a Fire Chief's Meeting, an Ohio River Meeting and a supervisor's meeting.
2. Preparation of Ice Rescue Classes on going.
3. General office and bay area painting and cleanup.

Public Relations (Water Safety Programs)

1. Preparing an upgrade for water safety programs, which include new team pictures of diving equipment, boats, vehicles and personnel.
2. Updating the team's web site.

Evidence Collection

1. Boone County, two private lakes. Preparing evidence collection detail to search for various stolen items. After looking at the lakes, preparations are made to thoroughly check at least one of the lakes by using divers. The search is tentatively scheduled for November 10th.

Training

1. All EMT's went through the defibrillation re-certification training.
2. Throughout the fall and winter months, the EMT's will have various scenarios concerning boating accident with injuries. There is mock drill for the team to critique on how they treat various injuries on and off the water each month.

Winter Maintenance Program

1. All boats will be removed from Villa Hills Marina on November 24th; all boats and diving equipment will undergo the winterizing process.

Safety Upgrades

1. The software on Boat 219 has just been upgraded to further insure the safety of the crew when there is zero visibility on the river (fog, rain or total darkness). The software, which works in conjunction with our radar system, provides us an upgrade for the collision avoidance system. This now gives us our location on the

river as well as gives us the ability to pinpoint any vessels that are near us and calculate a margin to avoid them. Training for this system will be on going.