

Salt Spring Island Fire Rescue

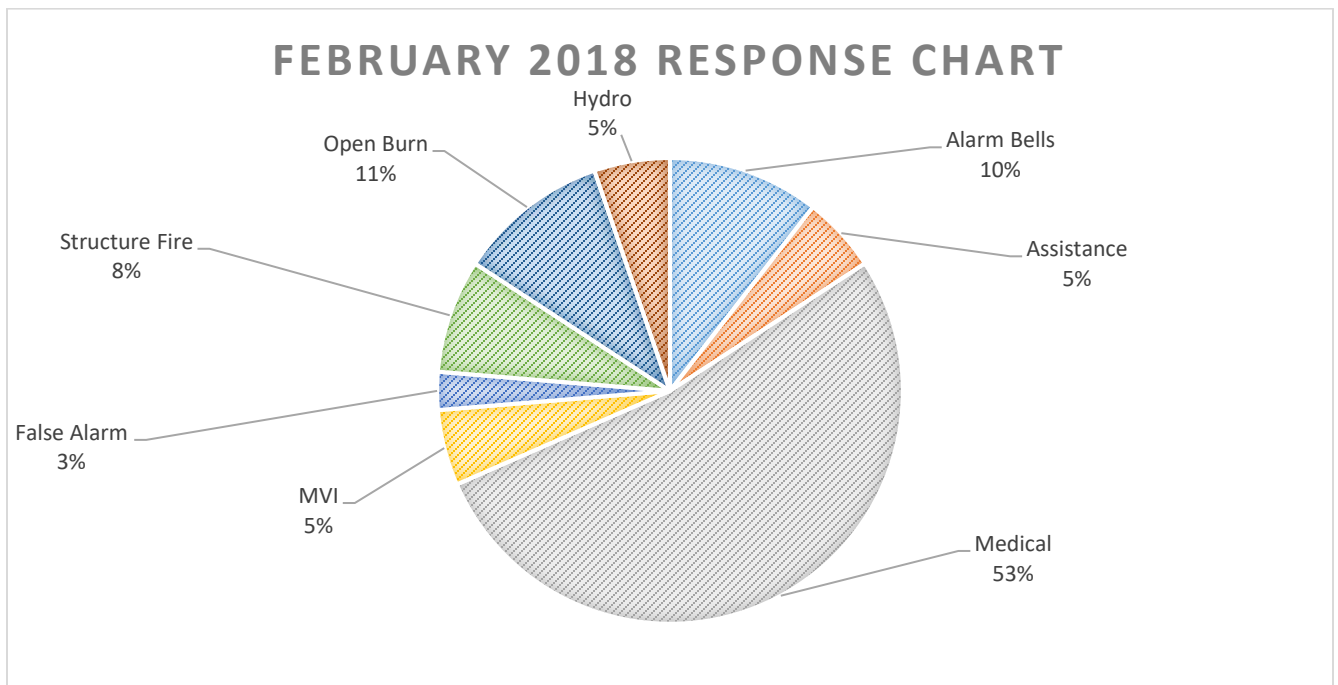
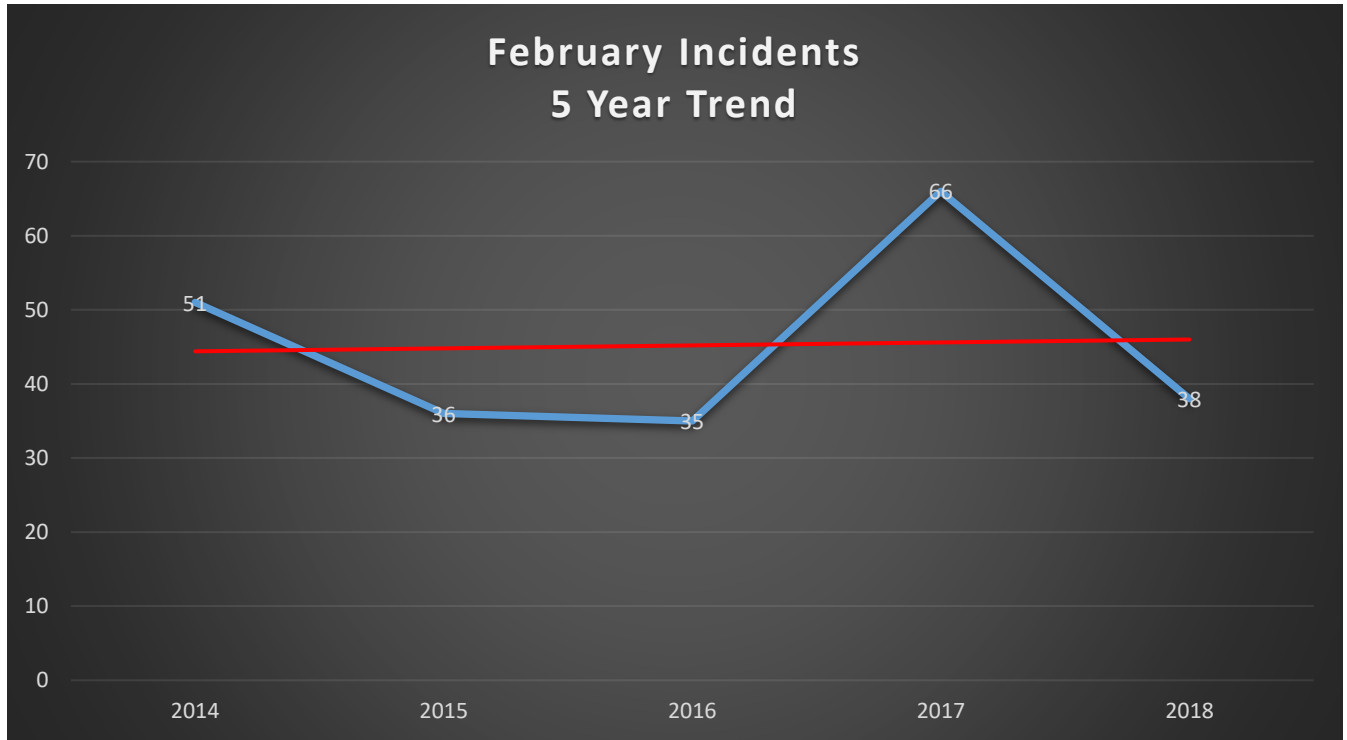
Fire Chief's Report

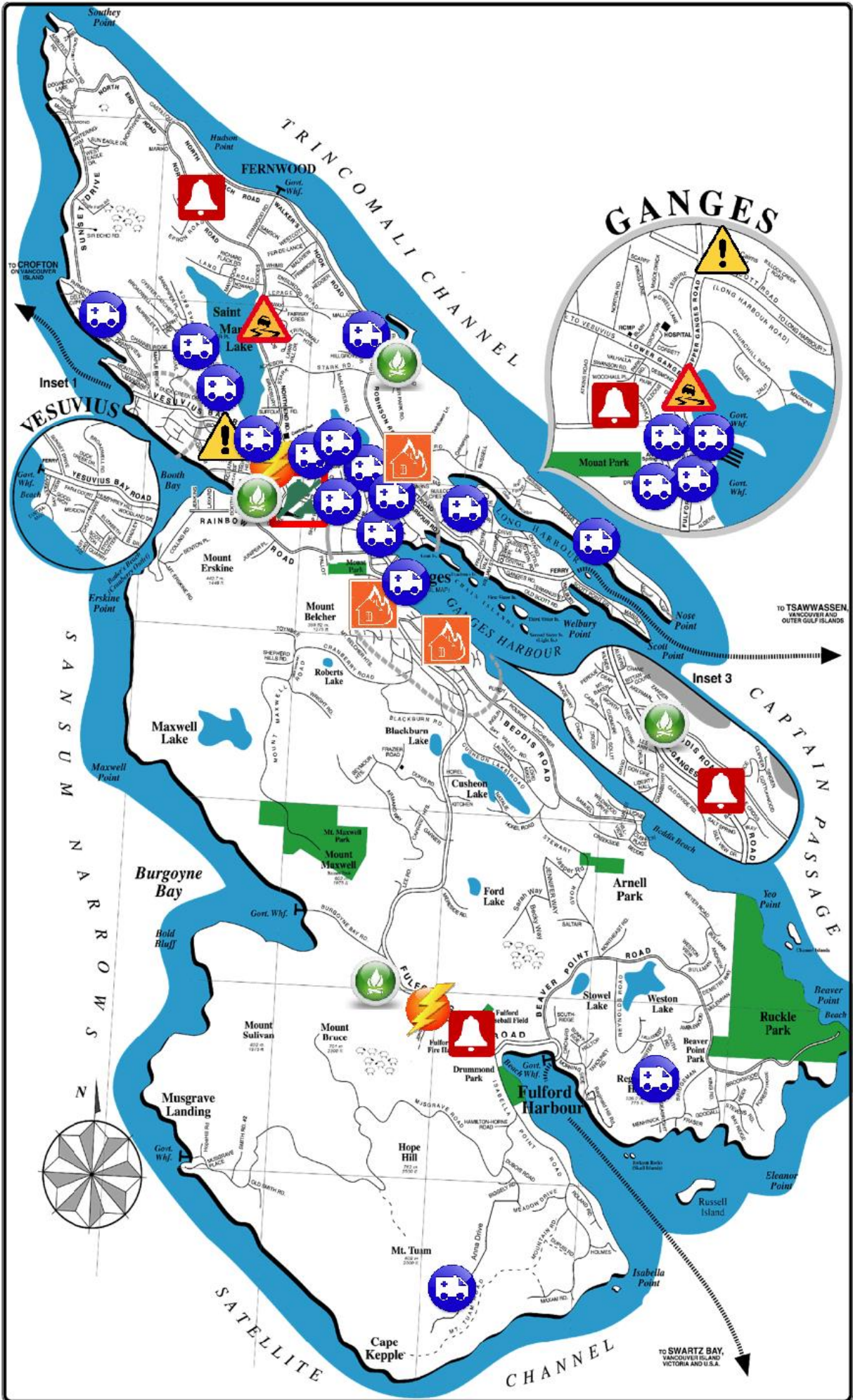
February 2018



Response Report

SSIFR responded to **38** Incidents for the month of February.





INCIDENT LEGEND		Feb 2018	Total Calls: 38
Aircraft	Aircraft-Crash		
Alarm Bells	CO		
	Commercial	2	
	Intrusion		
	Residential	2	
Assistance	BCAS		
	Flooding		
	General Public	1	
	Misc Complaint	1	
	Public Works		
	RCMP		
Beach	Beach Fire		
Boat	Distress/Fire		
Brush/Grass	Bark Mulch		
	Fire		
	Smoke Smell/Sighting		
False Alarm	CO		
	Commercial	1	
	Residential		
Fire-Misc	Misc Fire		
HazMat	Chlorine		
	Petroleum Spill/Fire		
	Propane		
	Chemical/inknown spill/leak		
Hydro	Fire		
	Lines Down	1	
	Tree on Lines	1	
Medical	Medical A/B		
	Medical C	1	
	Medical D	17	
	Medical E	2	
MVI	MVI	2	
Open Burn	Campfire	1	
	General	3	
Rescue	Animal		
	Elevator		
	Rope/High/Confined		
	Search		
	Water/Ice/Drowning		
Rubbish	Rubbish/Dumpster Fire		
Structure Fire	SFComm - Smoke/Smell		
	SFComm (Structure Fire)		
	SFRes - Chimney	2	
	SFRes - Mob Home/Trailer		
	SFRes - Smoke/Smell	1	
	SFRes - (Structure Fire)		
Vehicle Fire	Vehicle Fire		
			Total Calls for the month: 38

Medical - 1st on Scene %: 29

YTD::	FIRE	38
	RESCUE	6
	MEDICAL	33
	ASSISTANCE	8
		85

This month::	FIRE	13
	RESCUE	2
	MEDICAL	20
	ASSISTANCE	3
		38

Operations Update

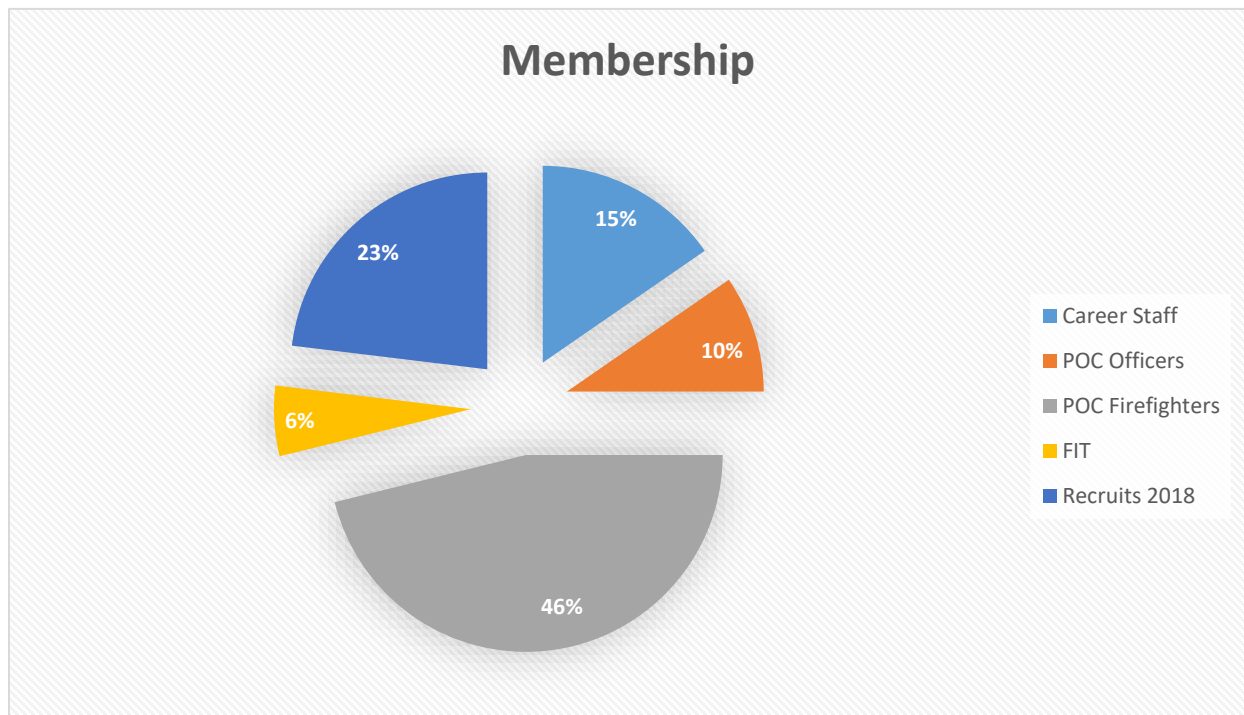
February 1st BC Emergency Health Services awarded a local hero on her CPR performance saving the life of her husband. Salt Spring Island Fire Rescue was first on scene within just minutes. With the care of his wife, First Responders, Paramedics, and the hospital staff, we are excited to hear he is doing well.



Membership

This past month one of Our Field Incident Technicians (FIT) Dan Olson has resigned. Dan served SSI from 2008-2013 as a POC Firefighter, then rejoined the department in 2017 as a FIT. We thank Dan for his service to our community.

Our two (2) 2017 Recruit firefighters have successfully finished their basic training and Live Fire I and are now qualified interior firefighters. Congratulations to Firefighters Josh Lindstrom and Liam Hackett.



Training

Our members had a very active month with several training initiatives held. Two of our CRD HAZMAT Technicians conducted scenario-based training in North Saanich.

We sent four of our members to Metchosin to become certified Red Cross First Responder Instructors. This will bring our FR III instructors to a total of seven.

As part of our commitment to firefighter safety and mental health we hosted our first of two sessions titled "Resilient Minds" instructed by three of our in-house instructors. The course was open to all members provides tools and techniques on managing traumatic stress and tactics to become more resilient to the emotional trauma firefighters experience.

Two of our members attended a training session at Central Saanich on new vehicle technology and alternative fuel vehicles.

We hosted an in-house Driver Training course as part of our overall driver training program. Six of our members successfully passed the course bringing them one step closer to becoming fully qualified Code 3 apparatus operators.

Six (6) of our members partook in a one-day training session for Class 3 Drivers (Tandem Fire Apparatus). Two of our apparatus require a Class 3 drivers license

Twelve of our recruits spent a Sunday learning the requirements of the Incident Command System. Next month the recruits begin their First Responder Training (50 Hour course).

Inspection and Public Education Division

Salt Spring Island Fire Inspectors conducted ten (10) commercial Fire and Life Safety inspections and two (2) fire safety consultations this past month. An additional three driveway inspections and one (1) new Sub-Division review.

Our Fire and Life Safety Education team attended the Seedy Saturday event and presented the principles of FireSmart to a dozen farmers, gardeners and landscapers. We had the opportunity to speak with over 50 people at our booth.

The Boy Scouts and Cubs joined the firefighters at the Ganges Fire Hall for an educational tour on "what it is like to be a Firefighter".



We also taught ten (10) trades-apprentice students from GISS a Canadian Red Cross Certified Standard First Aid Class with CPR/AED.

Respectfully Submitted

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