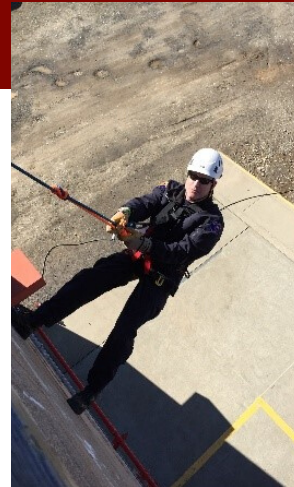
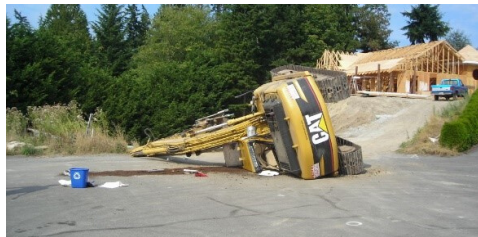


CKFR WEEKLY

CENTRAL KITSAP FIRE & RESCUE



Operations Update - AC Christian

CKFR continues to expand the services we provide to our community, with a recent focus in special operations. These special operation teams provide technical expertise and rescue capabilities for complex emergency operations, increased preparedness for major disasters, and strengthen our relationships within the community by supporting public events. The evolution of the CKFR special operation teams has created many diverse opportunities for our members to participate and contribute in meaningful ways. Here is a list of some of the special operations areas currently underway:

- Technical Rescue Team: (12 CKFR members) specializing in rope rescue, trench rescue, confined space rescue, and structural collapse.
- Wildland Team: (21 members) able to deploy on wildland firefighting mobilizations in and out of the state.
- Rescue swimmers (15 members) / Water rescue/ Ice rescue operations (Marine 51- Sea Legs) perform surface and sub-surface water rescue capabilities to multiple water hazards.
- Bike team- (6 career + 2 volunteer members) respond to triage and initiate treatment during large community events.
- Utility 50- respond to unusual or off road events in difficult to reach terrain, as well as support for community events.
- Drone Pilots (6 member goal) provide incident reconnaissance and support special events.
- HAZ MAT- provide training and expertise in substances and materials such as toxic chemicals, fuels, biological chemical, and radiological agents that may be harmful to people, property and the environment.

If you are interested in joining these teams, or any other work group please follow the link to the CKFR project/program tracker to contact the program lead. **Project Tracker**

UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY 10
BOC MEETING
ADMIN BUILDING
4:00 PM

FEBRUARY 14
VALENTINE'S DAY

FEBRUARY 17
PRESIDENTS DAY
OFFICE CLOSED

FEBRUARY 24
BOC MEETING
ADMIN BUILDING
4:00 PM

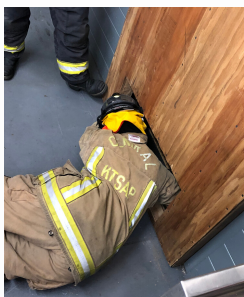




The future of the fire service is in great hands. These nine men and women were chosen to be our recruit academy 01-20 from over 380 applicants! On this, their first day, I am honored to welcome them to the CK family!
- Fire Chief John Oliver



CKFR Rescue Swimmers are undergoing their annual recertification training this week. In these pictures, Lt. Owen Rhodes and AO Billy George are working through the 550m timed swim.



Six of our new firefighters trained on SCBA skills with A-shift personnel on Wednesday in preparation for their start at the Red Knights Fire Academy next week.



Sandy Heinzle of Kitsap Quilts of Valor, a local sewing group for Veterans, presented CKFR Volunteer and active duty member, Rowdy Wilkinson, with a quilt over the weekend.



Date to submit your nominations has been extended to **February 9, 2020.**

Link: [Recognition and Awards Nomination Form](#)

Novel Coronavirus Update - MO Chamberlain

Operations and the EMS Division are closely monitoring the worldwide situation regarding the 2019 Novel Coronavirus through the State Health Department's daily Incident Action plan and the updates from the Center of Disease Control. This week Deputy Chief Sorenson and I met with Harrison Medical Center's Emergency Department Director, Emergency Department Manager and Infectious Disease Control Director. We discussed the process of transporting a patient with a suspected infectious disease and ensured a plan was in place for our health care providers.

As a reminder for our crews please continue to ensure safe work practices when treating patients with respiratory illness precautions.

- Place a face mask on your patient
- Use proper PPE (Safety Glasses, N95 facemask, Disposable Gown and Gloves). Avoid touching one's face with contaminated gloves.
- Avoid touching one's face with contaminated gloves.
- Avoid unnecessary touching of surfaces in the ambulance
- Arrange for the receiving facility staff to meet the patient at the ambulance door to limit the need for EMS personnel to enter the emergency department in contaminated PPE. (It may not be practical to change PPE before patient transfer into the facility.) Remove and discard PPE after transferring the patient at the receiving facility and perform hand hygiene. Treat used disposable PPE as medical waste.

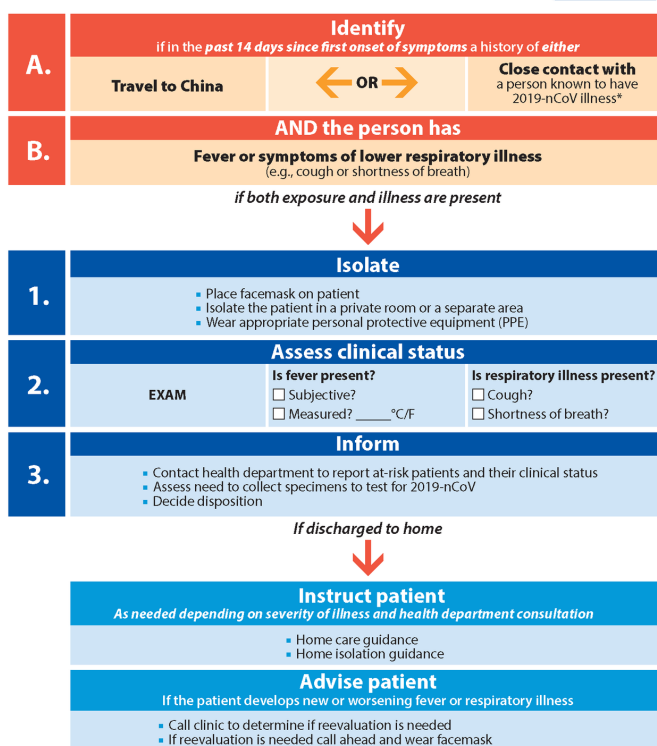
Below is the screening flow sheet from CDC.

I routinely receive WA State DOH incident action plans. Additionally, the next CDC update will occur Monday morning and be reviewed at the brown bag PM meeting.

Any questions let me know!

Flowchart to Identify and Assess 2019 Novel Coronavirus

For the evaluation of patients who may be ill with or who may have been exposed to 2019 Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV)



* Documentation of laboratory-confirmation of 2019-nCoV may not be possible for travelers or persons caring for patients in other countries. For more clarification on the definition for close contact see CDC's Interim Guidance for Healthcare Professionals: www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/hcp/clinical-criteria.html

January Volunteer Coverage

READY AND STANDING BY...

Billy Garrison	Shane Gonzalez
Connor Shelton	Tara Burger
Henry Henneman	Ted Fry
Judy Henneman	Tony Stewart
Rowdy Wilkinson	Valerie Quill

Volunteers provided a total of 126 hours of standby time at Stations 42, 53, & 56 in January.

We have two members in the EMT class -- Scott Mueller and Rowdy Wilkinson. Class is held at Station 41 on Tuesday and Thursday evenings and all day Saturday.

Next open house for prospective volunteers will be held on February 26 at the administrative building. If any district citizens are interested, please go to ckfr.org for information and fill an interest form.

