

Incident Reports - 2010

JANUARY

Congratulations! January was a quiet month, and CLVFD responded to no incidents.

FEBRUARY

February 2, morning -- medical call in Filing 10 -- CLVFD First Responders went to the scene to provide patient assessment and care while department responding auxiliary and firefighters provided lead in and backup assistance to Red Feather EMS.

February 14, early morning -- medical call in Filing 7 -- CLVFD First Responders went to the scene to provide patient assessment and care while department responding auxiliary and firefighters provided lead in and backup assistance to Red Feather EMS.

February 21, afternoon -- medical call in Filing 9 -- CLVFD responding auxiliary and firefighters provided lead in and backup assistance to Red Feather EMS.

MARCH

March 23, night -- medical call in Filing 3 -- Department members were called to do a welfare check in Filing 3. Two feet of snow hampered response, but Red Feather Lakes fire chief Steve Robinson and Crystal Lakes Associations' Facilities Manager Rick Crewdson were able to assist Crystal Lakes and Red Feather personnel in reaching the property, where the property owner was found to be well. Our thanks for the assistance.

March 24, morning -- medical call in Filing 7 -- CLVFD First Responders went to the scene to provide patient assessment and care while department responding auxiliary and firefighters provided lead in and backup assistance to Red Feather EMS.

March 27, morning -- medical call in Filing 9 -- CLVFD First Responders went to the scene to provide patient assessment and care while department responding auxiliary and firefighters provided lead in and backup assistance to Red Feather EMS.

APRIL

Congratulations! April was a quiet month, and CLVFD responded to no incidents.

MAY

May 10, morning -- medical call in Filing 7 -- CLVFD First Responders went to the scene to provide patient assessment and care while department responding auxiliary and firefighters provided lead in and backup assistance to Red Feather EMS.

May 15, morning -- medical call in Elk Ridge area -- CLVFD First Responders went to the scene to provide patient assessment and care while department responding auxiliary and firefighters provided lead in and backup assistance to Red Feather EMS.

May 15, afternoon -- medical call in Filing 14 -- CLVFD First Responders went to the scene to provide patient assessment and care while department responding auxiliary and firefighters provided lead in and backup assistance to Red Feather EMS.

JUNE

June 17, morning -- medical call in Filing 7 -- CLVFD First Responders went to the scene to provide patient assessment and care while other department personnel provided lead in and backup assistance to Red Feather EMS.

June 24, late afternoon -- mutual aid fire call -- At the request of Red Feather Vol. Fire Dept., Crystal Lakes firefighters responded with two engines to assist in locating the source of smoke sighted along Prairie Divide Road. The smoke was eventually traced to a property owner in the area burning slash in a large iron stove.

June 25, afternoon -- fire call in Filing 2 -- CLVFD firefighters and auxiliary responded to a reported fire in Filing 2. Thanks to an observant property owner, Crystal Lakes units were able to arrive while the fire was still small and douse it before it could spread.

June 25, afternoon -- medical call in Filing 10 -- CLVFD First Responders went to the scene to provide patient assessment and care while department responding auxiliary and firefighters provided lead in and backup assistance to Red Feather EMS and established a landing zone for the MedEvac helicopter.

JULY

July 3, evening -- fire call in Filing 7 -- CLVFD firefighters and auxiliary responded to a report of a dangerous fire. The fire was found to be in an Association-approved pit and judged to be safe.

July 4, early morning -- emergency call in Filing 5 -- CLVFD firefighters and auxiliary responded to reported explosion that shook the reporting party's dwelling. Department members searched for several hours. Not finding the source of the explosion or any sign of a fire, members stood down at around 3 a.m.

July 4, afternoon -- medical call in Filing 11 -- CLVFD First Responders went to the scene to provide patient assessment and care while department responding auxiliary and firefighters provided lead in and backup assistance to Red Feather EMS.

July 17, noon -- medical call in Filing 14 -- CLVFD First Responders went to the scene to provide patient assessment and care while department responding auxiliary and firefighters provided lead in and backup assistance to Red Feather EMS.

July 18, morning -- smoke report in Filing 12 -- CLVFD firefighters and auxiliary responded to a report of a large column of smoke in the area of Beaver Lake. The smoke was tracked to an Association-approved pit for which the property owner had a fire permit.

July 19, evening -- medical call in Filing 3 -- CLVFD First Responders went to the scene to provide patient assessment and care while department responding auxiliary and firefighters provided lead in and backup assistance to Red Feather EMS and established a landing zone for the MedEvac helicopter.

July 21, night -- false alarm in Filing 4 -- Firefighters and auxiliary responded to a fire alarm remotely reported from a house in Filing 4. They found no sign of a fire and stood down.

July 22, evening -- smoke report in Filing 11 -- Firefighters and auxiliary responded to a report of smoke sighted near Beaver Meadows. The smoke was tracked to an unapproved slash burn and the fire extinguished.

AUGUST

August 3, afternoon -- medical call in Filing 3 -- CLVFD First Responders went to the scene to provide patient assessment and care while department responding auxiliary and firefighters provided lead in and backup assistance to Red Feather EMS.

August 5, evening -- smoke report west of Crystal Lakes -- Firefighters and auxiliary responded to a report of smoke sighted about a mile west of Crystal Lakes. Firefighters hiked two miles down the Panhandle Trail without finding the source of the smoke. Nightfall made searching further dangerous, and Crystal Lakes responders, in consultation with the Forest Service, decided to stand down. The Forest Service returned the next morning, but no fire was found. It is believed to have been extinguished by the wet weather.

August 22, morning -- medical call in Filing 7 -- CLVFD First Responders went to the scene to provide patient assessment and care while department responding auxiliary and firefighters provided lead in and backup assistance to Red Feather EMS.

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August 30, late afternoon -- medical call at Basecamp -- CLVFD First Responders went to the scene to provide patient assessment and care while department responding auxiliary and firefighters provided lead in and backup assistance to Red Feather EMS.

SEPTEMBER

September 6, morning -- fire call in Filing 5 -- Firefighters and auxiliary responded to a report of a large, dangerous fire in an unapproved pit. Firefighters extinguished the fire and spoke with the property owner's visitors.

September 6, afternoon -- fire call in Filing 10 -- Firefighters and auxiliary responded to a report of an abandoned campfire. The fire was found to be in an approved pit, but the property owner did not fully extinguish the fire before putting the lid on the pit and leaving. When firefighters arrived, the pit was smoking profusely and the outside of the metal pit hot enough to ignite any flammable materials that might come into contact with it. Firefighters extinguished the fire and cooled down the firepit.

Please be aware that the lid is a safety measure, not a means by which a fire can be effectively extinguished. Fires should be extinguished using the five gallons of water the Crystal Lakes Association requires property owners to keep near any campfire. Please extinguish your fire at least an hour before leaving your property, so you can be certain it is fully out before you go.

September 11, evening -- medical call in Filing 15 -- CLVFD First Responders went to the scene to provide patient assessment and care while department responding auxiliary and firefighters provided lead in and backup assistance to Red Feather EMS.

September 12, morning -- fire call in Filing 12 -- Firefighters and auxiliary responded to a smoke report in Filing 12. Crystal Lakes is under fire ban at this time. The smoke was found to be coming from an approved pit, but the property owner had failed to obtain a fire permit from the Association -- had they done so, they would have been informed of the fire ban. It is far too dry for anyone to think they can safely have a fire in Crystal Lakes at this time, even in an Association-approved fire pit.

September 12, night -- emergency call in Filing 1 -- Firefighters and auxiliary responded to a report of carbon monoxide detectors going off at a residence in the First Filing. Firefighters were unable to pick up any readings of carbon monoxide, but the property owners were asked to evacuate the house until the furnace could be checked. Department members thank the property owners for their willingness to spend the night elsewhere, just to be safe.

September 13, morning -- smoke report south of Crystal Lake -- Firefighters and auxiliary responded to a column of smoke seen south of Crystal Lakes. This smoke was eventually tracked to a chimney, and all responders stood down.

September 18, morning -- smoke report in Filing 3 -- Firefighters and auxiliary responded to a column of smoke seen in the County Road 73C-Crow Road area. This smoke was eventually tracked to a chimney, and all responders stood down.

September 18, morning -- smoke report south of Crystal Lakes -- Firefighters and auxiliary responded to a reported smoky haze and smoke-smell in the area of the 7th Filing. After some searching, and consultation with the Sheriff's Department Dispatch, this was determined to be smoke coming in on the wind from the Cow Creek Fire. All units stood down.

September 18, afternoon -- fire call in Filing 1 -- Firefighters and auxiliary responded to a reported campfire in Filing 1. **Crystal Lakes is still under a fire ban.** The fire was in an approved pit, but the property owner had failed to obtain a fire permit from the Association -- had they done so, they would have been informed of the fire ban. **The Crystal Lakes fire ban forbids ALL open fires, except for propane-fueled campstoves. This means burning in Association-approved fire pit is also NOT permitted.**

September 18, evening -- medical call in Filing 12 -- CLVFD First Responders went to the scene to provide patient assessment and care while department responding auxiliary and firefighters provided lead in and backup assistance to Red Feather EMS and established a landing zone for the MedEvac helicopter.

OCTOBER

October 9, afternoon -- Incident #38 -- false alarm in Filing 4 -- Firefighters and special duty responders were called out in response to a fire alarm remotely reported from a house in Filing 4. They found no sign of a fire and stood down.

October 12, just after midnight -- Incident #39 -- medical call in Filing 7 -- CLVFD First Responders went to the scene to provide patient assessment and care while special duty responders and firefighters provided lead in and backup assistance to Red Feather EMS.

October 16, evening -- Incident #40 -- incident on Crystal Lake -- CLVFD was paged to respond to a report of two people in the water at Crystal Lakes/Panhandle Reservoir. Responding units were informed soon after that the people were out of the water and were being taken down to a hospital. Crystal Lakes firefighters and special duty responders stood down without being able to make contact with the accident victims, relieved that this incident turned out well. Please be careful on the water, and as the winter progresses, on the ice. The water is very cold at any time of year, and if you do get dunked, don't hesitate to call 911 and get our first responders and Red Feather's EMTs to check you out. There is no charge unless you want to ride in the ambulance.

October 19, evening -- Incident #41 -- medical call in Filing 9 -- CLVFD First Responders went to the scene to provide patient assessment and care while special duty responders and firefighters provided lead in and backup assistance to Red Feather EMS.

NOVEMBER

November 5, morning -- Incident #42 -- medical call in Filing 10 -- CLVFD First Responders went to the scene to provide patient assessment and care while special duty responders and firefighters provided lead in and backup assistance to Red Feather EMS.

DECEMBER

Congratulations! December was a quiet month and CLVFD responded to no incidents.