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# ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY DIVISION 3, BATTALION 6 DIVISION CHIEF ROB CAPOBIANCO

A Quarterly Update of What's Going on in Division 3

# San Clemente 2020 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter

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## STRENGTHENING RELATIONSHIPS WITH OC PARTNERS...

A recent exercise with Orange County Sheriff's Department regarding community evacuations during disasters was successfully put into action during the recent Silverado and Blue Ridge fire events. More than 90,000 OC residents were safely evacuated as two fast-moving wildfires threatened their communities.



Top leadership personnel from both agencies are shown discussing the intricate details required for such a large-scale activity.

Both agencies plan to continue their cooperation to strengthen the partnership and address the needs of the citizens of Orange County during a multitude of significant events.

# World's Largest Helitanker Now Available to Fight Fires in OC!

On October 1st OCFA began providing contract management, operation oversight and dispatch of an ICS Type 1 Very Large Helitanker (VLHT). The VLHT is owned, flown and maintained by Coulson Aviation, and will be under an exclusive-use contract to OCFA for a minimum of 90-days.

The Helitanker will be staffed with interagency approved/carded pilots and crew and is approved for day and nighttime aerial firefighting, thus available for immediate dispatch 24-hours a day. The aircraft will be based at Joint Forces Training Base Los Alamitos.



The VLHT plays two roles. It can go direct-attack atop the fire, or if loaded up with retardant, retardant can be dropped ahead of a fire like an air tanker.

The VLHT can drop 3,000 gallons in a single pass, compared to OCFA Copter 1 that drops 350 gallons!



In August OCFA introduced Kids Corner. OCFA.org/KidsCorner is loaded with fun and educational coloring sheets and family activities that families can do together to help introduce their child to emergency preparedness and teach them why it's important to always be prepared.

At OCFA we understand and see firsthand the importance of having emergency preparedness conversations with children. Kids Corner is a place where pre-school and elementary aged children can learn the importance of fire safety, preparing for emergencies and how to be water safe.

# **OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES**



Throughout Orange County there are dozens of beautiful trails that residents enjoy at night or on the weekends. Being prepared is the key to staying safe while enjoying outdoor activities. Use the safety tips below to help you plan and prepare before your next hike or bike ride.



Since 2018, the number of remote rescues in Orange County continue to rise with over 100 rescues taking place per year.
By the end of 2020, the number of rescues is projected to more than double!



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#### **General Best Practices**

- Drink water before, during and after your activity. The general rule of thumb is 1 liter or 32 ounces of water per hour, per person.
- Wear comfortable and breathable clothing that you can layer based on the weather. Ensure that you are wearing sturdy hiking shoes that provide ankle support.
- Pack a backpack for clothing, water, identification, gear and snacks. Don't forget to bring any medications or information on health-related issues you may have.
- Wear sunglasses that block 100% of ultraviolet rays and ensure that you are reapplying sunscreen every 2 hours or as needed.
- Consider taking a first aid class and carry a small first aid kit with you before you hit the trails.
- Ensure that your devices are charged or bring a portable charger for navigation, contact purposes or emergencies.

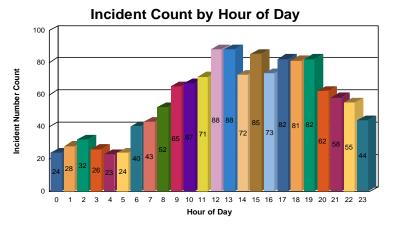
#### **Trail Tips**

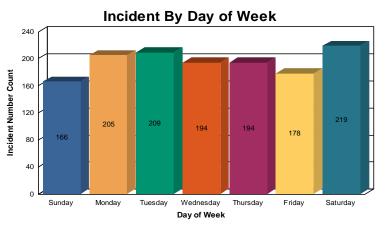
- Keep an eye on the weather and know the conditions of the trails before you go out.
- Use the buddy system and never hike or bike alone. Consider leaving your plan detailed out at home with a responsible person. Call and check in when you start and finish your activity.
- · Stay on the trail and stay alert to your surroundings.
- Use trails that fit your abilities and your health conditions. Do not take on too much if you have not prepared for the hike or the trail that you have chosen.
- Plan your hike or bike ride to avoid peak heat hours.

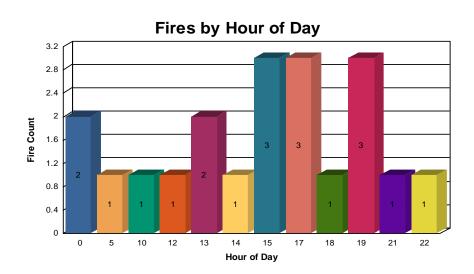
### **Incident Responses**

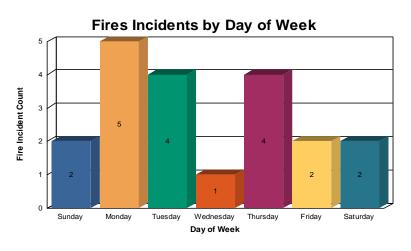
CALL TYPE	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	ост	NOV	DEC	Total	Monthly Average
Medical Aid - Automatic		40	24		40	45			45				457	40
Paramedic Alarm Medical Aid- Back to	22	18	21	14	18	15	20	24	15				167	19
Bed/ Lift Assist	11	12	3	6	5	5	12	12	13				79	9
Medical Aid- Cardiac														
(Chest Paint, Cardiac														
Arrest)	29	32	36	21	18	20	20	26	26				228	25
Medical Aid - Stroke														
(Unconscious, Altered Mental State)	39	37	25	18	31	29	25	39	39				282	31
	33	37	25	10	31	23	23	33	33				202	31
Medical Aid- Diabetic Emergency	5	4	5	3	4	5	10	13	6				55	6
Medical Aid- Fall	73	83	54	61	69	69	58	74	70				611	68
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Medical Aid - Illness (Sick Person, Injury,														
Illness)	55	43	29	24	27	33	41	38	43				333	37
Medical Aid-														
Respiratory														
(Respiratory Arrest,	24	10	- 14		_								56	
Difficulty Breathing)	21	19	14	0	2	0	0	0	0				56	6
Medical Aid- Abdominal Pain	17	14	16	14	13	4	17	15	18				128	14
Medical Aid- Seizure Medical Aid - Misc.	15	20	9	10	10	8	13	11	16				112	12
(Choking, Headache,														
Pregnancy, Bleeding,														
Assault, Burn,				404	400		405	400						400
Intoxication)	48	46	94	121	123	104	125	122	119				902	100
Medical Aid-Traffic Collision (Auto vs Auto,														
Auto vs Pedestrian)	30	22	22	13	27	16	14	29	18				191	21
Fire - Structure	7	4	4	3	1	3	6	5	6				39	4
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Fire - Vehicle/ Dumpster	3	2	3	4	0	6	3	1	6				28	3
Fire- Vegetation, Brush,														
Tree, Bush, Misc.	10	2	4	3	1	9	9	5	5				48	5
Service Call- Misc. (Odor														
Check, Stuck Elevator,														
Automatic Fire Alarm)	52	34	42	33	40	63	60	60	58				442	49
Incidents	437	392	381	348	389	389	433	474	458	0	0	0	3701	411
CALL TYPE	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	ОСТ	NOV	DEC	TOTAL	MO. AVG.
Medical Aids	365	350	328	305	347	308	355	403	383	0	0	0	3144	349
Fires	20	8	11	10	2	18	18	11	17	0	0	0	115	13
Misc	52	34	42	33	40	63	60	60	58	0	0	0	442	49

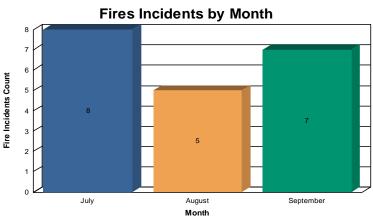
## **Incidents by Category**











### **Your Firefighters in Action**





Incident # 20-078205 July 11<sup>th</sup>

At 2113 hours ECC dispatched a structure response to 1208 Vista Cayenta in the city of San Clemente. At 2119 hours Engine 60 went on scene advising fire through the roof and to upgrade to a WORKING STRUCTURE FIRE. At 2124 hours Battalion 6 went on scene and upgraded the incident to a second alarm. At 2128 hours Battalion 6 assumed the Cayenta Command. At 2134 hours Battalion 6 gave an update of one single story residence with exposures on the Delta side and can handle with the second alarm units. At 2214, the commander stopped the incident clock and requested a City Building Official. At 2220 hours Battalion 6 advised one civilian with an unknown medical problem. Engine 50 to handle the medical component. At 2239, first patient sign AMA. At 2246 hours, 2<sup>nd</sup> civilian patient, CARE ambulance re-respond back to scene.

