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Sixteen happy members toured the West Niagara departments in brilliant sunshine on August 9. Great hospitality was enjoyed at the 10 halls they visited. A big thank you to the services in Grimsby, Lincoln and West Lincoln. (Ken Buchanan photo)

**Reminder: Saturday, November 1, the OFBA Flea Market & Annual Meeting,
Toronto Fire & EMS Training Facility, 895 Eastern Ave.**

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President's Message...

Well, it seems that Mother Nature decided to play a joke on us and brought an early fall and winter to some parts of the country and even here in Southern Ontario we have seen much cooler and wetter days since the beginning of September. However, she did cooperate for the Niagara tour in August and gave us a nice day for the tour of Norfolk County on September 20. With only the tour of Oakville left on October 4 it looks like the 2014 buffing season is coming to a close, but not before our Annual Fire Services Collectibles Show and Sale and the Annual Meeting which will be held, once again, at the Toronto Fire Academy, Eastern Ave. at Knox Ave. on November 1. It appears we have three good prizes to be raffled off at the Annual Meeting so do purchase some tickets which helps defray some of the costs of the meeting and keeps your annual dues at a reasonable price.

Seventeen Canadians, including seven members of the OFBA, a number from the GTMAA and three from the Montreal Auxiliary Firemen attended the IFBA Convention in Dallas, Texas from September 3-6 and all present had a fantastic time. The Box 4 Association were our very gracious hosts, seeing to all our needs, and the Dallas Fire and Rescue Department opened their doors and welcomed all attendees with open arms as did the Fire and EMS staff of the Dallas-Fort Worth Airport's Public Safety Department. Next year's convention will be in Hartford, Connecticut and 2016's will be in Baltimore. If you have never attended an IFBA Convention you don't know what you are missing. Good times, lots of apparatus and maybe a few good fires. Wally Banks of Box 4, the outgoing president of the IFBA, thanked us for coming to Dallas on behalf of the department which had no major alarms while we were in town. Typical!

Stay safe and hope to see you in November, Bob Rupert.

From our Membership Secretary...

By the time you read this column, another successful season of photo tours will have been completed. Our thanks go to all those who were involved in organizing this year's tours and to all who attended. It appears that they were well attended and the weather cooperated for the most part. Lots of great photographs were taken, many of which appeared in the pages of this newsletter.

Just a last minute reminder about the Fire Services Collectibles Show and Sale on November 1st, one of the most important events on the OFBA calendar. Once again there will be a draw for three good prizes. Please refer to the enclosed flyer for details. Tickets can be purchased at the door, however, if you would like to purchase some but cannot attend, just send the money in and we will enter your tickets in the appropriate draws. Just be sure to get the money in on time. Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00.

Also, note that the 2015 dues cards will be sent out with the November/December issue of The Third Alarm. Many of you choose to pay your dues at the Show, which is very much appreciated. The annual meeting, which follows in the afternoon, is very important and we trust that those of you who are able to attend will do so. See you then.

Robert Herscovitch, Membership Secretary

From the Editor...

Our luck with the weather continues, with four more well attended tours in the sun (mostly). Photography contributors this issue: Bob Rupert, Terry Yip, Bertrand Campo, Dino Morson, Dave Stewardson, John Bowerman, Robert Herscovitch, Kenneth Lai, Ken Buchanan, Larry Thorne and, as always, Neil McCarten deserve our thanks. Kudos to Walt McCall for the muster reports and photos. Also appreciated are Walt and Ken for apparatus info, along with Rick Loiselle, Dean Nickerson and Jamie Larnier.

Lastly, Encans Gelineau in St. Hyacinthe, QC . is holding an auction of items from a 50 year collection of helmets, fire alarm boxes, gongs, extinguishers, etc. on November 15. Details on their French web site at <http://www.encangelineau.com/>. Items shown at <http://www.encangelineau.com/SpecialPages/index.htm>

Desmond Brett, Editor, Third Alarm

Minutes: Ontario Fire Buff Associates – Annual General Meeting

Saturday, November 02, 2013

The annual general meeting of the Ontario Fire Buff Associates was held on Saturday, November 02, 2013 at the Toronto Fire Services Training Academy and was called to order by the President at 1310 hours.

Six of the eight members of the Board of Directors, President Rick Loiselle, Treasurer James Stronach, Membership Secretary Robert Herscovitch, Directors Walt McCall, Desmond Brett, and Secretary Robert Rupert were present. Vice-President Dave Mollison and Director Herb Galloway were unable to attend and sent their regrets.

Those present included members Mike Gough, Larry Ward, Ken Buchanan, Harold McMann, Tom Shepherd, John Skillen, Sean Oram, Ian Duke, Harry Newlove, Gord Kirkpatrick, Gord MacBride, Larry Thorne, Greg Brown, Robert Anderson and Ken Jansen.

President Loiselle thanked those present for coming and commented that the Collectibles Show and Sale held earlier in the day seemed to be well attended by both vendors and visitors. He also made us aware that member Herb Galloway's mother passed away on October 31 and suggested that the club send flowers as a token of our respect. The new executive board decided later that a donation to one of the charities indicated by the family would be more appropriate than flowers.

The minutes of the 2012 Annual General Meeting held on November 3, 2012 were adopted on a motion moved by Gord Kirkpatrick and seconded by Ken Buchanan.

The Treasurer reported that the Club is still operating in the black with the bank account having a balance of \$4055.32 as of October 24, 2013 which is an increase of approximately \$75. over last years balance. He also reported that the \$5000. GIC is still earning money with the club having total assets of \$9055.32. The printing and distribution of the Third Alarm, including the postage, is still the largest expense incurred by the club.

Moved by Ken Jansen and seconded by Gord Kirkpatrick to accept the Treasurers Report. Carried.

The Membership Secretary reported that the club has 118 members with 11 other associations, fire departments, etc. also receiving complimentary copies of the Third Alarm. The club gained 3 new members in the past year but lost 5 with an additional complimentary association disbanding. Distribution of the Third Alarm sees 68 go out as hard copy only, 43 electronically only and 25 receive both versions.

Moved by Larry Thorne and seconded by Sean Oram to accept the report of the Membership Secretary. Carried.

There was no correspondence and the secretary was directed to ensure that thank you letters were sent to Deputy Chief Higgins and District Chief Eysers regarding use of the Academy facilities.

In the absence of Director Herb Galloway the president reported that 2013 was another good year for photo tours except for August when only 3 of 7 departments contacted responded to Herb's request for a tour. That tour was cancelled but 3 members did carry on and visited the 3 departments that did respond to take photos of their apparatus. The 3 members then went on to Sarnia to shoot their new rig. The president stated he was also encouraged by the excellent turnout of members to the September and October photo shoots despite the weather on those days. He went on to that Herb has done an excellent job over the last 10 years in organizing the tours and the club will miss his contributions.

With Director Galloway stepping down from the Board, member Ken Buchanan has volunteered to help with the organization of next years' tours. Ken reported that proposed tours and dates for 2014 are as follows:

May 31 – Grimsby, Lincoln, West Lincoln and Hamilton's Binbrook Station;

June 14 – Hamilton's North Rural Stations and Milton; July 12 - Brant County; August 9 – Burlington;

September 20 – Norfolk County; October 4 – Oakville.

Editor Des Brett reported that it has been a good year for the Third Alarm with a number of contributors to the newsletter and lots of content coming in to him. He thanked those who contribute which makes his task easier. Harold McMann asked if it was possible to publish a Toronto roster in a future edition. He was advised that due to the constant turnover of apparatus in the department it was better that members access the GTMAA website or Fire Wiki to see a roster of the TFS.

Members were advised that High Pressure Monitor #2 still has brake issues so has not moved from its quarters at Box 43 in Hamilton over the past year. Toronto Fire has agreed to cover some of the costs of repairs but before that is done the parts have to be obtained which entails removing the existing parts from the truck and taking them into the USA where member Herb Galloway is confident they can be found. Once the parts are obtained a shop in Hamilton will carry out the repairs. Harold McMann, Sean Oram and Ian Duke volunteered to assist in any way they can with this process.

In the absence of IFBA Region 10 Vice President Wignall, Ian Duke reported on the very successful 60th Anniversary IFBA convention held in Milwaukee this past July. Ian was especially impressed by the tours of the Pierce plant in Appleton, the Venerable Fire Collection at Fire Bell Farm, the boat tour of the Milwaukee river and lakefront and the dinners at the Slinger Fire Department (who responded to an alarm while we were there) and at Majers Restaurant where the IFBA was formed 60 years ago.

On a motion by Gary Wignall, seconded by Gord MacBride, the members elected Ian Duke as the new Region 10 Vice President of the IFBA and the secretary was directed to send notice to the IFBA of the election.

Old Business – there was no old business.

New Business:

1. The President reported that after a suggestion from Ken Buchanan the executive board authorized the purchase of business cards for distribution by members who need them for OFBA business purposes. Anyone needing cards are asked to see the Membership Secretary.

2. The club has been advised that Postal Station Q will be closing so the Board decided to move our post box to the Don Mills Postal Station on Wynford Drive which has 24 hour access. Members are asked to use the new address on all correspondence with the club although the old box at Station Q will be in service until the end of 2013.

A discussion was held on the feasibility of members using Paypal to pay their dues, etc. Moved by Sean Oram, seconded by Tom Shepherd that the club accept payments by “Paypal” with any surcharges paid by the payee. Carried. Sean to investigate further and coordinate with the Treasurer.

Election of new Board of Directors; the President reported that he is in possession of 8 nominations for election to the board which is a full slate. He then asked, 3 times, for further nominations and hearing none, declared the following members acclaimed for the term 2014-2015.

President – Robert C. Rupert,

Secretary – Mike Gough

Membership Secretary – Robert Herscovitch

Director – Walt McCall

Vice President – Dave Mollison

Treasurer – James Stronach

Editor – Third Alarm – Desmond Brett

Director – Larry Ward

President Loiselle then thanked the members and past board members for their cooperation and support over his 23 years, 16 of them as President, of service on the board. He stated it had been an honour to serve and wished the new executive well in their endeavours. He then passed on the silver helmet to the incoming President who thanked the members for their support.

Door Prize draws were held with the following results:

1. A ‘First Gear’ 1/87 scale ‘International TD-25 Fire Dozer’ and a ‘Conrad’ 1/43 scale ‘American LaFrance type 38 Pumper, donated by Robert Herscovitch and Terry Yip, was won by Al Watterson of Pickering, ON. Member Larry Thorne was to deliver the prize to Al.

2. 3 Corgi die-cast models issued by the National Mint - a 1921 American LaFrance, a 1928 Studebaker and a 1941 GMC, donated by Herb Galloway, was won by Associate member Alain Fredette of Napierville, QC.

3. A Green Acres Industries Builder’s Plate, donated by Dave Stewardson, was won by Associate member Alain Fredette of Napierville, QC.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 1415 hrs. on a motion by Sean Oram.

Robert C. Rupert, Secretary/President

IFBA Convention Report

By all account a highly successful convention held by Box 4, Dallas, over four days, and packed with activities. Almost 90 attendees took in visits to the Dallas Fire Museum, the DFR shops and large training grounds (over two days), Dealey Plaza, the Texas Fire Museum and an outing to Dallas Fort Worth Airport which including three of their five stations and their training centre. Canada had a major presence there, with around 17 registrants seven from the OFBA. GTMAA and OFBA member Ian Duke was elected Region 10 VP, Ken Beliveau is the new president. Social events included Billy Bob's Texas BBQ, and Cowtown Rodeo and Bull Riding.

There were no major fires but the weather was spectacularly sunny and the locals were friendly and welcoming. Next year Hartford, CT is hosting, (August 12 to 15), and 2016 is in Baltimore.



Two Dallas FD rigs: Urban Search & Rescue 19, a 2011 Spartan / SVI Heavy Rescue (SN 559) and Truck 37, a 2014 Spartan ERV/Crimson 103' Aerial (SN 213104-01). (Bob Rupert photos)





Barrie Rescue 5 is a 2012 Spartan/Smeal rescue pump. It has a 1050igpm pump, a 625gwt and a pair of 20gfts. It runs from a temporary Station 5 on 371 King St. until the new hall is built. (SN xx75830)



This is Blue Mountains Tanker 271, a 2012 Freightliner FL114SD/Fort Garry rig equipped with a 1050igpm pump and a 3000gwt. SN M392. (Ken Buchanan photos)



Niagara Falls P.6 2013 Freightliner M2/Spartan ERVDEV 1500gpm/1000gwt (SN 211093-1) and Hamilton's new Ladder 10, a 2014 KME Predator quint with 2000igpm/500gwt/25gft/103' (Ken Buchanan photos)



Oakville just received this 2014 Rosenbauer Cobra 101' platform for L232 (Desmond Brett photo)

The apparatus floor...

Oakville opened a temporary Station 9 at 3250 Nagawaya Blvd. in the works building, home to P.291 and Unit 293. **Embrun** (Russell) opened a new station on March 23. It's a three bay, single story hall located at 893 Notre Dame St. **Hay River, NWT** officially opened its new, \$6.1 million fire and EMS hall at the end of May. The five bay, drive through structure replaces two facilities and houses 10 vehicles. It's located on the same site as the old hall at Commercial Rd. and Woodland Dr. **Parkland County AB** added a new station last month, located in Acheson. The 20,000 sq ft hall houses a pumper, tanker and rescue. Located at 53115 Range Road 263A in the Acheson Industrial Area, the \$7.8 million facility will become Parkland County HQ with storage facilities, additional bays for special units and a training centre. The **Halifax** aerals listed in the last TA have been assigned to Quint 3 (75') and Aerial 5 (100').

Levasseur Fire Apparatus declared bankruptcy in May and closed its doors. Jean Levasseur, a designer with Pierre Thibault, founded the company in 1988 in St.-Francois-du-Lac, QC when his former company closed, initially as a reseller and rebuilder. They soon were new rigs on a variety of chassis, their products were popular in Quebec

Another New Brunswick fire department has suffered a significant loss, just over a week after the station in Nackawic was heavily damaged and all of their equipment burned or contaminated. This time an arson fire destroyed the entire station and village hall in **Millville**, along with two pieces of apparatus and all equipment inside. The blaze occurred July 30, no suspect found. **Nackawic** has replaced Rescue 1 already, with a 2014 Ford F550 4x4/Eastway 1250/400.

ROTO-RAY REVISION – Part 2 Another one has cropped up, in the town of Pelham. Ken Buchanan reports they have a 2001 Pierce 85' tower equipped with the iconic warning lights.

Also from Ken: both pumper-tankers and both engines for **Hamilton** are now in the shops, currently lettered Tanker 21 and Pumper 28, Engines 1 and 2. Brush 23 is now slated for Station 25 in Greensville.

A quick update on **London** from Rick Loiselle: The new Spartan/CT/RK 1250/400/75' quint has been delivered. The rig is considerably shorter and lower than the previous Smeal quints. This is to allow the truck to fit into Station 13. It is also the first to have the new style graphics applied.

Robert Herscovitch reports that **Zorra Twp.** is proposing a new 10,800 sq ft hall to be built no later than December next year on Oxford Rd. 2, west of Thamesford.

News from Dean Nickerson: **Limerick Township**, located off Highway 62 between Madoc and Bancroft, purchased an ex-Brantford 1989 Mack MR688P/Almonte 1050/500 pumper from Asphodel Fire Trucks.

Parry Sound received an ex-demo E-One tower in June. The Town then sold its 1992 Pierce Arrow / Superior 75' Telesqurt to **Meaford**, where it replaced the ex-Orangeville 1976 Scot / King.

Uxbridge called tenders for a new station to replace the existing Bascom St. hall. The new building will be located on Brock St. west of Quaker Village Dr. Uxbridge also has a new pumper on order from Eastway. **Kawartha Lakes** is replacing Station 8 in Pontypool, the new hall will be on John St.

Rosenbauer Canada has delivered a new tanker for **New Tecumseth** Station 2 on a Freightliner chassis, and another for **Chatham-Kent** Station 7 on an International. They also provided a new pumper for **Chipman, AB** on Freightliner M2-106 chassis. **Leamington** bought a 75' Pierce rear-mount aerial on a Spartan chassis, numbered 140, and **Balmoral, QC** purchased a Maxi-Metal pumper on an IHC 4400. Metalfab supplied new pumpers to **Severn Twp.** and **Iona, NS**, on a Spartan and an IHC 4400 chassis respectively, **Lappe, ON** got one from Eastway, also on an IHC.

New from Dependable: The two new Spartan ERV pumpers for **Mississauga** are almost ready. They will go to P.104 and P.117. This should see P.104 go to Station 109, their pump will likely be auctioned off. P.117 will go to training. Both new rigs were built on Spartan Metrostar LFD chassis with 20" raised roofs, 2250gpm Hall Q-Max pumps, 686gwt and 60gfts (Class B). DEV was the low bidder for two new dedicated training pumpers for **Toronto**.

Vancouver has put out a tender for 25 new vehicles- 9 CAFS engines/5 CAFS Rescue engines; 10 x 100' CAFS Quints; a tandem axle special ops/high rise unit and an option for an elevating platform. Tender closes in about 5 weeks. One of the CAFS engines will be delivered painted pink. Also looking at replacing all current rescues (FL/FGI units 1999 vintage) and newer pick up medic units with up to 10 Wildlands type units capable of limited FF power and to be used as medic units. All apparatus 2001 and older to be traded in or sold. Newest rig to be disposed of will be Tower 10 2001 Spartan Gladiator/Smeal 100' Quint platform.

Spartan ERV has announced the sale of 20 Spartan MetroStar 1250/1250/CAFS pumpers to **Sao Paulo** Brazil. Delivery continues on the 70 MetroStar pumpers being delivered to **Peru**- over half delivered now. Peru is now at 207 stations country wide with more under construction. 78 Ford Transit ambulances built in Mexico (1/3 usually out of service already) and 38 VW/Worker/Rotan tenders (built in Brazil) have been added in the past couple years. The CGVBP also just took delivery of 20 Fiat Ducato van type ambulances for stations in Lima. They have also ordered four aerial units- unknown specs- for Lima. (Info from Bob Dubbert)



Gold River BC just got this 2014 Freightliner M2/Hub pumper, it has a 1050igpm pump and 1014gwt.
(Terry Yip photo)



Red Deer, AB recently took delivery of this 2014 Spartan Gladiator ELFD/SVI walk-up rescue, 20' box.
(John Bowerman photo)

Apparatus Roundup ONTARIO

Hamilton	L.9 & L.10	2014	KME Predator Severe Service LFD 2000igpm/500gwt/25gft/103' RM
Seguin	P.12	2014	Freightliner M2/Pierce 1250gpm/1000gwt SN 27485
Timmins		2014	Kenworth T370/DEV 750gpm(H)/2000gwt SN 10395
Augusta Twp.	P.2	2014	IHC Durastar/Arnprior 1250igpm(W)/1000gwt/CAFS
Essex	Stn.2	2014	Ford F550 Crew Cab 4x4/Eastway 420igpm/400gwt rapid attack rescue
Oakville	L232	2014	Rosenbauer Cobra 1750gpm/200gwt/101' platform
Kettle & Stony Point FN		2014	Pierce Sabre 1250igpm(W)/1800gwt Husky FS SN 27063
Chatham-Kent	Stn.9	2014	IHC/Rosenbauer medium rescue
Chatham-Kent	Stn.17	2014	IHC/Rosenbauer medium rescue
Quinte West		2014	Ford F550/Rosenbauer FX light rescue
Tara Arran	P.71	2014	Spartan Metro Star/Spartan ERV/DEV 1500gpm(H)/1000gwt/20gft SN 10398
East Gwillimbury		2014	Spartan Metro Star/Spartan ERV/DEV 1500gpm(H)/1000gwt/20gft SN 10397
Paisley	T.85	2015	Freightliner M2-106/DEV 1000gpm(H)/3500gwt
Markham	911	2014	Spartan Metro Star/Smeal 2000gpm/525gwt/2x20gft
Markham	916	2014	Spartan Gladiator/Smeal 2250gpm/300gwt/2x25gft/100' rearmount SN 4232
Essa		2015	Freightliner 108SD/DEV 1000gpm(H)/3500gwt

Apparatus Roundup

OUT WEST

Yukon Territory (Dawson)		2014	Dodge 5500 4x4/Fort Garry 675igpm(W)/275gwt/20gft/CAFS(W) 140cfm
Gold River, BC	204	2014	Freightliner M2/Hub 1050igpm(W)/1014gwt/CAFS(W) 140cfm FoamPro FS
Oyster River	E.41	2014	HME 1871 4x4/Rosenbauer 1250igpm(R)/800gwt/20gft
Charlie Lake		2014	Freightliner M2 106 4x4/Rosenbauer Maverick 1250gpm(D)/1500gwt/20gft
Richmond	E.2	2014	Pierce Dash CF PUC 1250igpm(W)/350gwt/40gft (SN 27210)
Richmond	L.7	2014	Pierce Dash CF PUC 1250igpm(W)/350gwt/40gft/105' RM (SN 27211)
Kelowna	E.9	2014	Freightliner M2 4x4/Pierce 1250gpm(W)/750gwt/30gft Husky 3 FS SN 27370
North Saanich	E.2	2014	Spartan Metro Star/Hub 1500igpm(H)/600gwt/20gft FoamPro 2001 FS s/n 1161
Malaspina		2014	Freightliner M2-106/Hub 1050igpm(H)/1400gwt FoamPro 1600 FS
Langley Twp.	E.6-1	2014	Spartan Metro Star/Smeal 2250gpm(H)/1500gwt
Kitimat		2014	Spartan Gladiator ELFD/SVI heavy rescue SO 882
Gitwinksihlkw FN		2014	Freightliner M2-106/Hub 840igpm(H)/500gwt FoamPro 1600 FS
Jasper, AB	P.1	2014	E-One Typhoon 1500gpm/1030gwt, SN 138416
Kearl Oil Sands Project		2014	IHC 7400 4x4/Rosenbauer 10igpm (R)UHPS/260gwt/20gft
Lacombe Cnty, (Clive)		2014	Freightliner M2 106 4x4/Rosenbauer 1050igpm(D)/1000gwt/40gft/CAFS
M.D. of Greenview		2014	Dodge 5500/Leer command vehicle (Grovedale)
M.D. of Greenview		2014	Freightliner M2 106/Rosenbauer 1250igpm/1000gwt TMPP (DeBolt)
Sangudo		2014	Rosenbauer Commander 3000 1050igpm(D)/750gwt/20gft
Chestermere		2014	IHC 4x4/Rosenbauer EXT Timberwolf 1000gpm/500gwt/20gft
Trout Lake		2014	Freightliner M2 106 4x4/Rosenbauer 840igpm(D)/1500gwt/40gft
Barrhead		2014	Kenworth T370/DX Pierce 420igpm/2500gwt SN
Kananaskis		2014	IHC 4400/Rosenbauer 1250igpm/1250gwt SN 16409
Red Deer	H.14	2014	Spartan Gladiator ELFD/SVI walk-up rescue, 20' box SO 875
Valleyview		2014	Freightliner Coronado/Rosenbauer 420igpm/4000gwt triple rear axle
Bowden	R.7	2014	Freightliner M2-106/Rosenbauer heavy rescue, 14 box
M.D. of Greenview		2014	IHC 4400/Rosenbauer 1320igpm/600gwt (Fox Creek)
Standard		2014	Freightliner M2 106/Fort Garry 420igpm(H)/1500gwt SN M566
Chestermere	E117	2014	IHC 7400 4x4/Rosenbauer Timberwolf 1000gpm(R)/500gwt/20gft S/N 93736
Regina Airport, SK Red 3		2014	Ford F550/Rosenbauer Airwolf 300gpm/300gwt/40gft
Lac du Bonnet, MB		2014	IHC 7400/Acres 625igpm(W)/2500gwt s/n 140905121
RM of Grahamdale		2014	IHC 4400/Acres 1050igpm(W)/940gwt/25gft (Gypsumville) SN 140808120

QUEBEC, MARITIMES

Varennnes, QC	229	2014	E-One Typhoon 1050igpm(W)/625gwt
Rivière Kiamika	406	2014	Freightliner M2 106/Maxi-Metal 1250gpm/1200gwt
Sorel-Tracy	250	2014	IHC 4400/Maxi Metal pumper
St.-Adolphe d'Howard	633	2014	Ford F450/Heloc light rescue
Sainte-Andre-Lavellin	406	2014	Peterbilt/Levasseur 1500gwt tanker
St.-Charles-sur-Richelieu		2014	Ford F550/ Levasseur light rescue
Boischatel L'Ange-Gardien	802	2014	IHC Terrastar/Maxi Metal heavy rescue
Chateauguay	1620	2014	Freightliner M2 106/Maxi-Metal heavy rescue
Cloridorme	644	2014	IHC Terrastar/Maxi Metal heavy rescue
St.-Jacques-le-Mineur		2014	Kenworth T400/ Rosenbauer 750gpm(H)/3000gwt SN
Sainte-Thècle		2014	Freightliner M2 106/Maxi-Metal pumper
Mont Laurier	602	2014	Freightliner M2 112/Maxi-Metal 1250gpm/1500gwt
Mont Laurier	901	2014	Freightliner M2 106/Carl Thibault heavy rescue SN 2651
Bouchette		2014	Freightliner M2/Rosenbauer 1050igpm(R)/1500gwt/25gft Foampro 2001
Debert, NS	U532	2014	Freightliner M2/Metalfab light rescue
Bonnyville	R30?	2014	Ford F550/Acres 100igpm/250gwt
Bonnyville	R50	2014	Ford F550/Acres 100igpm/250gwt
Halifax	Q.13	2014	Pierce Arrow XT 2000gpm/480gwt/75' rearmount SN 27344
Halifax	(2)	2014	Spartan Metro Star/Carl Thibault 1250igpm/750gwt
Milford		2014	Ford F550/Fort Garry mini-rescue
Milford		2014	Freightliner M2 106 4x4/Fort Garry 840igpm(W)/1500gwt
Cape Breton	2014		Spartan Metro Star/Spartan ERV/DEV 1500gpm(H)/1000gwt/20gft SN 10398



Red Deer County, AB recently got this 2014 Freightliner M2-106/Rosenbauer heavy rescue, with a 14' box. Labeled Rescue 7, it's stationed in Bowden. (John Bowerman photo)



Delivered in July to Swift Current, SK, Engine 3 is a 2014 Spartan Gladiator/Fort Garry product with a 1050igpm pump, 600gwt and 25ft. It carries serial number M524. (Dave Stewardson photo)



This is Maple Ridge, BC's Operational Support Unit, built by SVI on a Spartan Gladiator chassis. Equipped with a 20' box, it is essentially an airlift unit with a crew cab. (Terry Yip photo)



From the international desk: This small pump belongs to the Benoa, Bali fire service. It's a 2007 Mitsubishi Fuso/Ayaxx tanker that carries 3000L of water and 500L of foam.



From Singapore, this is PL 112, a Dennis RS235/Rosenbauer pump-ladder in the new paint scheme. It runs from the SCDF Central Station. (Robert Herscovitch photo)

To the great benefit of OFBA members and fire apparatus buffs of all stripes, Western Ontario boasts three long-running annual antique fire apparatus musters which, in addition to showcasing antique and vintage fire trucks owned by private collectors as well as fire departments, also include the host department's newest apparatus.

The first event on the annual calendar is the WAMBO muster held in Wallaceburg, about 20 miles north of Chatham. We were unable to attend the 26th annual WAMBO Muster August 9, but hear it was another good one. *WAMBO* stands for *Wallaceburg Antique Motor Boat Outing*. In addition to the display of classic motorboats on the Sydenham river which flows through the town, WAMBO has expanded over the years to also include a big car show and the fire engine muster.

ST. THOMAS FIRE ENGINE MUSTER

The senior citizen of all Canadian fire apparatus musters is the venerable event held over the Labor Day weekend in St. Thomas, south of London. Some 45 pieces of antique and modern fire apparatus took part in the 32nd Annual St. Thomas Fire Engine Show & Muster on August 30th. Sponsored by the St. Thomas Professional Fire Fighters Association, the St. Thomas Muster is a "must" for those of us who love to look at and photograph old (and new) fire trucks. I've attended every single one since the very first held in 1983 and have never been disappointed.

The St. Thomas Muster kicks off with a Saturday morning parade through the city to the muster site in Pinafore Park. This year's parade included some 30 antique and vintage fire trucks, four hand-drawn units and more than a dozen modern in-service rigs from St. Thomas and area fire departments. At the park the rigs are lined up under the trees for display and judging. Firematic contests and games are held throughout the afternoon. The muster program concludes with a classic car show in the park on Sunday.

The oldest motorized rig at St. Thomas this year was the Strathroy Fire Department's 1929 Ford Model "A" with body fabricated by the Lorne Tractor Co. of Tillsonburg. Lorne built many small-town commercial-chassis fire engines from the mid-1920s into the early 1930s. One of the last Lornes built was also at St. Thomas – a 1933 Chevrolet with front-mount pump still owned by the fire department in Lorne's hometown of Tillsonburg. There was another Chevrolet pumper on the field – a '32 with Bickle bodywork, from the Wyoming Fire Department, near Sarnia. Among the custom-chassis rigs on display was a very nicely restored 1957 American-LaFrance 700 Series *Empire* model pumper originally delivered to London. The excellent restoration was done by London firefighter Murray Saunders.

There were two interesting "matched pairs" of rigs at St. Thomas this year -- two imposing 1981 American LaFrance *Century Series* pumpers, both recently imported from the United States -- and a matched pair of Dodge 4X4 minipumpers built by Hamerly in Pennsylvania.

CHATHAM FIREFEST III

Three years ago, longtime muster participants Reg and Brent DeNure of Chatham decided the time had come to hold an antique fire apparatus show in their own city. But the event Brent DeNure and co-chair Keith Chinnery envisioned would be more than just a one-day display and parade of old fire trucks. Their aptly-named *FireFest* would include an entire weekend of fire service-themed events, including several high-profile public speakers. Over the past three years *FireFest* has grown into the largest event of its kind in Canada, with nearly 60 rigs in attendance for this year's September 19-20 event.

FireFest began with a Friday night program at the beautifully restored Capitol Theatre in downtown Chatham. Following a reception, attendees moved upstairs into the theatre for a "Firehouse Chat" – a presentation by three public figures with strong fire service connections. Last year, *FireFest* brought in a retired New York City Fire Department (FDNY) battalion chief who told his incredible story of survival following the collapse of the North Tower of the World Trade Centre following the terrorist attack of September 11, 2001. This year, the Friday night speakers included actor Randolph Mantooth who played Los Angeles County Fire Department paramedic Johnny Gage on the long-running TV series *Emergency!* In the 1970s; former Detroit firefighter Brendan Milewski, who is in the gritty DFD documentary *BURN*, and former Detroit Red Wings player Tim Cheveldae, now a firefighter with the Canadian Department of National Defense. Following their insightful individual presentations, all three speakers took part in a spirited discussion with the appreciative audience.

But the highlight of *FireFest* is the big display of fire apparatus and other emergency vehicles that takes up three entire blocks of King Street in Chatham's downtown core all day Saturday. Apparatus on display ranged from the Chatham Fire Department's 1870 Hyslop & Ronald horse-drawn steamer to the newest units of the Chatham-Kent Fire Service. Garnering much interest was meet co-chair Brent DeNure's recently acquired ex-FDNY Mack pumper which actually saw fireground service at the World Trade Centre site. Brent also displayed his recently restored 1955 FWD/Thibault pumper which once provided fire protection at RCAF Station Trenton. The Fort Erie LaFrance Association brought a 1924 American-LaFrance Type 45 pumper, ex-Renfrew, Ont. The Fort Erie gang also showed the oldest motorized vehicle at the muster, a 1915 Model "T" Ford roadster fire chief's car.

But the star of this year's show was a stunningly original 1925 Ahrens-Fox piston pumper owned by RM Restorations of nearby Blenheim, a global powerhouse in the classic vehicle restoration and auction world. With its fully-exposed front-mounted pump surmounted by big spherical air chamber, the iconic Ahrens-Fox is unlike any other fire engine ever built. The near-perfect Model JS4 originally served the small town of Washington Courthouse, Ohio.

The Chatham and St. Thomas fire engine shows also attract visitors and participants from the United States. Among the half dozen or so rigs from the U.S. was an attractive little 1926 Chevrolet pumper with small frontmount pump owned by Bill and Jan Rausch of Clarkston, Michigan. Built by Jaeger Power Corp., this little pumper one protected the country estate of one of the barons of the Knight/Ridder newspaper chain. Because the two cities are only about 50 from one another, more than a few of the rigs seen at the St. Thomas Muster also attend the Chatham event.

The Saturday show ended with a siren-shrieking, bell-clanging parade through Chatham. While thousands of folks ogled the fire trucks on display on King Street, the *Fire Combat Challenge* was under way at a shopping mall just down the street. Teams of firefighters from across Canada and the U.S. competed with each other in a series of competitions of muscle and agility all day Saturday and Sunday. Plans are already under way for *FireFest IV*.



Brent DeNure's 1955 Thibault/FWD 840 Pumper, ex-RCAF Station Trenton and his 1981 American-LaFrance Century 1500 pumper, ex-NJ and Denholm, Que. At Chatham Firefest



2014 ST. THOMAS MUSTER RIGS

1929 Lorne/Ford Model "A" Pumper – Strathroy Fire Department
1931 Boyer/Studebaker Pumper, ex-Sheffield, Ohio – The Berg Family, North Ridgeville, Ohio
1932 Bickle/Chevrolet Pumper – Wyoming Fire Department
1933 Lorne/Chevrolet/Darley Front Mount Pumper – Tillsonburg Fire Department
1937 Ford Two-Tank Chemical Car – Dresden Fire Department
1942 Bickle-Seagrave/Ford 420 GPM Pumper – Dresden Fire Department
1942 General-Detroit/Ford 500 GPM Pumper, ex-St. Clair Shores, Mich. Steve Irvine, St. Thomas
1944 Bickle-Seagrave/Chevrolet 420 GPM Pumper, open cab, ex-Exeter Fire Dept.
1948 Ford Chiefs Car replica, Iron Mountain, Michigan. Wes Thompson, Blenheim
1949 Bickle-Seagrave/Maple Leaf (Chevrolet) 420 GPM Pumper, ex-Welland – Keith Davis, St. Thomas
1949 Marsh Pumps Canada/GMC 625 GPM Pumper, Port Stanley Fire Department
1951 Bickle-Seagrave 625 GPM Canopy Cab "66" Pumper – St. Thomas Firefighters Association
1954 American/Chevrolet Frontmount Pumper, ex-New Era, Michigan FD. – Ken Seiloff
1954 Dodge Power Wagon Brush Rig, ex-Independence Township MI – Bill Rausch, Clarkston MI
1957 American-LaFrance 700 Open-Cab 840 GPM pumper, ex-London FD – Murray Saunders, London
1957 Fargo Salvage/Squad, ex-Windsor Fire Department – Reg DeNure, Chatham
1962 Thibault/GMC 625 IGPM Pumper (white/red) ex-Belmont FD – Yarmouth Centre Fire Dept.
1970 Mack CF 1000 GPM Canopy Cab Pumper, ex-Elizabeth Borough NJ – St. Thomas
1971 Dodge D700 625 GPM Pumper, ex-Chatsworth Area FD –Richard Ainsworth, Erie Beach
1972 King/Ford C-Series 1050 GPM Pumper, ex-Port Stanley #4 – Bill Turvey, St. Thomas
1972 King/Ford C-Series 1050 Pumper, ex-Polysar Corp., Sarnia – Herb Gallaway, Brights Grove
1975 CFA/Seagrave 1500 GPM Pumper, ex-Glenview, Ill. – Francis Glenn, Blenheim
1978 Hamerly/Dodge Power Wagon MiniPumper, ex-Lickdale PA, Reg DeNure, Chatham
1979 Hamerly/Dodge Power Wagon MiniPumper, ex-Pleasant Grove AL – Lorne Bradt, Leamington
1980 King/GMC 1500-Gallon Tanker, ex-Norfolk Township/Langford – Jim Killen Family
1981 American LaFrance Century 1500 GPM Pumper, ex-Huntington NJ – Rob Redman, St. Thomas
1981 American-LaFrance Century 1500 pumper, ex-NJ, Denholm, Que. – Brent DeNure, Chatham
1986 Pierce/Ford C-Series 1000 GPM Pumper, ex-Royal Oak Township, Michigan
1991 MedTech Modular Ambulance, ex-Madera NY – Lorne & Lee Ann Bradt, Leamington
2011 GMC Sierra – Ontario Fire Marshalls Office Arson Investigation (white)
Hand-Drawn Hose Reel, ex-Bruce Mines. Nancy Moore, Courtwright
Bickle hand-drawn two-wheel chemical engine – Don Smeltzer, Wallaceburg
Wirt & Knox 1910 and 1920 two-wheel hose reels – Lee Burrows, Dresden

In-Service Rigs:

1991 Dependable/Ford F-Series Command Unit (LG) -St. Thomas Fire Department
1996 Superior/Freightliner FL70 Heavy Rescue – Central Elgin FD, Yarmouth Centre
2000 General/Spartan 1050/600 Pumper – Central Elgin-Yarmouth Centre P-31
2001 E-One Cyclone II 1500/300/75' Quint, St. Thomas Fire Department Ladder 5
2004 E-One Cyclone 1500/300 Pumper – St. Thomas FD Engine 1
2005 Smeal/Spartan 1500/800 Pumper – Central Elgin – Union P-21
2005 C-Max/Sterling 420/3500 Pumper/Tanker, Southwold Township #9
2006 Smeal/International 840/2500 Pumper/Tanker, Central Elgin/Yarmouth Centre P32
2007 E-One Cyclone 1750/800 Pumper- St' Thomas Fire Department Engine 6
2009 Rosenbauer/Central/ International 840 – Central Elgin- Belmont Tanker 42
2011 Dependable/International 625 Pumper/Tanker – Southwold Twp. Tanker #2
2011 Smeal/Spartan Pumper/Tanker, Central Elgin – Port Stanley Tanker 11

CHATHAM FIREFEST 2014 MUSTER RIGS

1870 Hyslop & Ronald Horse-Drawn Steam Fire Engine – Chatham Fire Department (Original Owner)
1915 Ford Model "T" Chief's Roadster – Fort Erie LaFrance Association, Fort Erie
1922 Bickle/International "S" Pumper, ex-Dutton Fire Dept. – Wes Thompson, Blenheim
1924 Bickle/Reo Combination, ex-Port Dalhousie Fire Dept., Reg DeNure, Chatham
1924 American-LaFrance Type 45 Pumper, #4418, ex-Renfrew ON – Fort Erie LaFrance Association
1925 Ahrens-Fox JS4 Piston Pumper #1242, Washington Courthouse O – RM Restorations, Blenheim
1925 American-LaFrance Type 75 Pumper, #5083 ex-Massena NY – Wes Thompson, Blenheim
1926 Jaeger/Chevrolet Frontmount Pumper, ex-Wildwood Farms MI, Bill Rausch, Clarkston MI
1929 Lorne/Ford Model "A" Pumper – Strathroy Fire Department
1937 Ford Two-Tank Chemical Car – Dresden Fire Department
1938 Bickle-Seagrave/Ford Pumper, Closed Cab – ex-Tilbury Fire Department

1939 Bickle-Seagrave/Gramm Pumper, ex-Swansea FD – John & Neil Hendrie, Chatham
 1941 Pirsch/International 65' Open-Cab Aerial – Chatham Fire Department
 1942 Bickle-Seagrave/Ford 420 GPM Pumper – Dresden Fire Department
 1946 Bickle-Seagrave/International K7 Pumper – ex-Dow Chemical, Sarnia WAMBO
 1948 International KB/1932 ALF 100 Tillered Aerial, ex-Verdun, Quebec – Reg DeNure, Chatham
 1948 Ford Chief's Car Replica, Iron Mountain MI – Wes Thompson, Blenheim
 1950 Bickle-Seagrave 85' Service Aerial, ex-Hamilton – Reg DeNure, Chatham
 1951 Bickle-Seagrave 80E Canopy Cab 625 Pumper, ex-Chatham, Neil & John Hendrie
 1951 Chrysler Coupe Chief's Car Replica – Reg DeNure, Chatham
 1952 American-LaFrance 700 Series Open-Cab Pumper, ex-Riverdale IL – Lee Burrows, Dresden
 1952 Chevrolet Sedan Delivery Emergency Car, ex-Crystal Beach, Fort Erie LaFrance Assn.
 1952 DeSoto McClintock Sedan Ambulance – Len Langlois, Chatham
 1954 American/Chevrolet Frontmount Pumper, ex-New Era MI – Ken Seiloff, MI
 1954 Chevrolet Sedan Delivery Ambulance – Len Langlois, Chatham
 1954 National/Chevrolet Ambulette Ambulance - Dave Maple, Shelby Township MI
 1955 Thibault/FWD 840 Pumper, ex-RCAF Station Trenton – Brent DeNure, Chatham
 1957 Fargo Shop-Built Salvage Truck, ex-Windsor FD – Reg DeNure, Chatham
 1958 Marsh Pumps (Canada) International 625 Pumper, ex-Kingsville FD – Bob Kissner, Kingsville
 1966 Seagrave 100' Tractor-Drawn Tillered Aerial, ex-Strasburg VA – Wes Thompson, Blenheim
 1966 Thibault/GMC 625 Pumper – Bothwell-Zone-Euphemia Fire Dept.
 1968 National/Dodge LWB Ambulance – Dean Wilkinson, Leamington
 1971 King-Seagrave/Dodge 840 Pumper, ex-Chatsworth Area FD
 1971 Miller-Meteor Cadillac Hightop Ambulance – Russ Dalziel, Troy MI
 1972 Mack CF 1500 GPM Canopy Cab Pumper, ex-Clover Hill VA – John Koyl, Olivert MI
 1972 Ward LaFrance 1000 GPM Pumper, Engine 51, LA County FD - Jeff Yaroch, Richmond MI
 1972 Maxim "F" Canopy Cab 1000/750 Pumper, ex-Mass. – Ken Seiloff MI
 1972 King/Ford Industrial Pumper, ex-Polysar, Sarnia – Herb Gallaway, Brights Grove
 1978 Hamerly/Dodge 4X4 Minipumper, ex-Lickdale PA – Reg DeNure, Chatham
 1979 Hamerly/Dodge 4X4 Minipumper, ex-Pleasant Grove AL – Lorne Bradt, Leamington
 1981 American-LaFrance Century 1500 Pumper, ex-NJ, Denholm, Quebec – Brent DeNure
 1986 E-One/GMC Pumper (Yellow) ex-Tri-City MI – Bill Rausch, Clarkston MI
 1988 Mack CF 1000 GPM Pumper, ex-Engine 328, ex-FDNY – Brent DeNure, Chatham
 1988 Superior/White 1050/75' TeleSquirt, ex-Tilbury (White/Red)
 1988 Hub/Ford C Pumper v(Yellow) ex-Victoria Harbour FD – St. Clair College FFTP
 1991 Seagrave Sedan Cab 1050 Pumper, ex-Windsor FD – Randy DiCicco, Windsor
 1993 Carl Thibault/Spartan 1050 Pumper 4-Door Cab- Ex-Windsor FD, St. Clair College



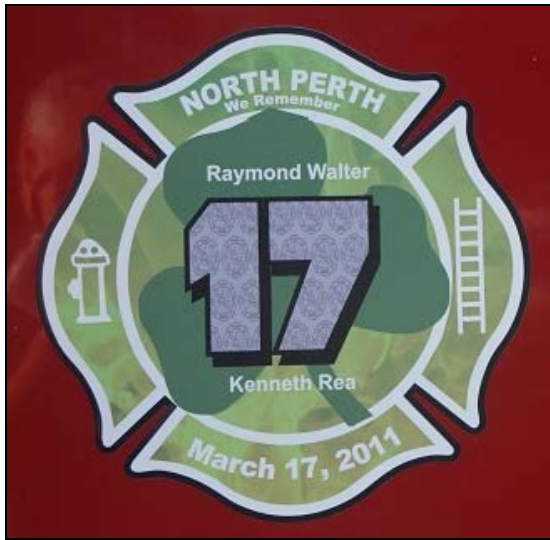
At Chatham Firefest: A 1925 Ahrens-Fox piston pumper owned by RM Restorations of Blenheim. This JS4 model served with Washington Courthouse, OH (Harold McMann photo)



Delivered late last year, Niagara Falls Pump 4, a 2013 IHC Workstar/Spartan ERV/DEV compilation came with a 1500gpm pump and a 1000gwt. (Ken Buchanan photo)



North Perth Unit 12 appeared at the OAFC show in 2012, it then went in service in Listowel. It is a 2012 Spartan Metro Star/Metalfab rig with a 1050igpm pump, 700gwt and a FoamPro 2002 foam system. More photos, next page. (Larry Thorne photo)



Now in service with West Grey as Pumper 3 in Neustadt, this used to be North Perth Unit 12, running from Station 1. The crest at left adorns the rig in honour of the NPF members Raymond Walter and Kenneth Rea, killed fighting a store fire in Listowel on March 17, 2011. Below is the rig in North Perth livery. It is a 1991 Emergency One Protector pumper with 1050igpm pump, 500gwt and 25gft. (Photo credits: above, left; Dino Morson, below; Desmond Brett.)





More satisfied customers from (top) in Brant County on July 12 and in Milton on June 14. The Brant tour had 16 attendees, many of which went to a bonus visit in Brantford, 10 halls in all. Twelve people took part in the Hamilton (Flamborough) and Milton excursion which featured a surprise detour to Puslinch. Many thanks to the departments in Brant County, Brantford, Hamilton, Milton and Puslinch for putting up with us. (Ken Buchanan photos)



. Woodstock Aerial 2, a 2005 American LaFrance Eagle / LTI quint, 1250igpm/300gwt/75'.



Strathroy-Caradoc Engine 21. A 2003 Rosenbauer Commander 3000, 1050igpm, 800gwt, 30gft.



Thorold Aerial 1.a 1992 E-One Protector quint, 1050igpm pump, 400gwt and 65' Telesqurt.
(All photos, Larry Thorne)



Some more unmarked rigs recently delivered: Fort Assiniboine, AB recently received a 2014 Freightliner M2-106/Facres heavy rescue. (s/n 140620117)



This is Rosenbauer's first four axle tanker. Just delivered to Valleyview, AB, on a Freightliner Coronado chassis, it has a 420igpm pump and a 4000gwt.



Magrath, AB got this 2014 Freightliner M2-106/Fort Garry pumper during the winter. It came with a 1050igpm pump, 800gwt and 25gft. It also has a CAFS, s/n M509. (Dave Stewardson photos)



Laval, QC U.2008, a 2007 Freightliner M2/Carl Thibault tanker with a 420igpm pump and a 2500gwt.



Delivered last year, this is Laval's Airlight, a 2013 IHC Terrastar/Lafleur product. (Bertrand Campo photos)



Another pair from the Neil McCarten collection: Trent Hills Unit 685, a 1995 GMC Top Kick/ Almonte 2500 gallon tanker with a 400igpm front-mount pump. It's stationed in Campbellford.



Brockville Pump 4 is a 2004 Pierce Contender pumper with a 1250gpm pump and 600gwt.



From even further east we have East Hawkesbury Twp. Unit 1, a 1999 GMC 8500/Almonte pumper with an 840igpm pump and 1250gwt.



Also East Hawkesbury Twp. Unit 3, a 2001 GMC/Almonte step van rescue. (Bertrand Campo photos)

Sudbury Fire Department: 1971 Roster

No. 1 Fire Station - 40 Elgin St. W. (at Beech St.)

Unit #1	1968 King/Ford C (1050/500)
Unit #2	1967 Lafrance/Ford C (1050/500)
Unit #5	1958 Lafrance 900 Series (840/300)
Unit #4	1966 King/Ford C 100' Midship Aerial
Unit #3	1969 Dodge step van Salvage unit
Unit #7	1966 Chevrolet utility van
Unit #8	1970 Chevrolet Tanker (port. pump/500)
Unit #9	1964 Fargo utility van (w/portable foam unit)
Unit #11	1971 Ford 4-door sedan (Chief)

No. 2 Fire Station - 1388 Bellevue Ave. (at Picard St.)

Unit #22	1960 King/Mercury (625/500)
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No. 3 Fire Station - 34 Bulmer Ave. (at Irving St.)

Unit #23	1956 Marsh Pumps/Chevrolet (500/500)
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No. 4 Fire Station - 120 Walford Rd.

Unit #24	1966 Lafrance/Ford C (625/500)
Unit #27	1959 Chevrolet Tanker (w/port. pump)

No. 5 Fire Station - 417 Lasalle Blvd. West (at Somers St.)

Unit #25	1952 Seagrave Custom (840/200)
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No. 6 Fire Station - 2572 Rheal St.

Unit #26	1942 Bickle/International (625/500)
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No. 7 Fire Station - 1962 Lasalle Blvd. E. (at Diane St.)

Unit #27	1955 Lafrance/GMC (500/500)
Unit #6	1948 Bickle Seagrave Custom 85' Midship Aerial

Commanded by Chief Fred Mitchell, the 1971 Sudbury FD was mainly a volunteer force. There were 73 full-time staff based at the Central Station, including the chief, deputy, 12 officers and 55 firefighters. All other stations operated on a volunteer basis, with a grand total of 108 volunteer district chiefs, officers and firefighters.

A few years later, the Department underwent a massive restructuring. The City of Sudbury annexed the Town of Copper Cliff (and its Fire Department) and the unorganized Townships of Broder and Dill as part of the formation of the Region of Sudbury. Based on recommendations from the Fire Marshal's Office, the department became (for the most part) a full time one. Today, there are 107 full time staff, including 90 officers and firefighters operating out of five stations. 31 volunteers still remain; 15 act to supplement full-time staff at No. 2 Station in the east end, while No. 8 in annexed Copper Cliff remains fully volunteer.

The City also gradually replaced all of the stations listed above. No. 3 was closed entirely, and the west end Gatchell neighbourhood is now served by the Central station. A new No. 5 replaced No. 7 and the old No. 5 in 1974, and a new central station was completed the following year. In 1976, a new No. 4 Station was opened in the south end. Finally, in 1983, a new No. 2 Station was completed, replacing the old No.2 and No. 6 Stations.

Only Unit #8 remains on the 1996 roster as a bush fire truck. Unit #1 is now serving the Township of the Spanish River in Walford, and Unit #2 was sold to Hagar Twp. in Markstay. Unit #26 is now owned by a local sporting goods shop. The fates of the other trucks are unknown.



New stuff from B.C.: North Saanich Engine 2, a 2014 Spartan Metro Star/Hub with 1500igpm Hale pump, 600gwt and 20gft.



Metchosin got this 2013 Ford F550 4x4/Rosenbauer mini-rescue last year. It bears SN 41632.



This 2014 Spartan Metro Star/Hub pumper went to Abbotsford last April. Engine 6 sports a 1500igpm Hale pump, and a 500gwt. (Dave Stewardson photos)



More Western deliveries: Strathclair, MB just received this 2001 Sterling L8500/Fort Garry 1050igpm/800gwt/25gft unit from Rocky Mountain Phoenix. It was formerly with the Thorsby, AB FD. SN M6713



Unity, SK took delivery of this light rescue last winter. It's a 2013 Ford F550/Fort Garry rig, 12' box.



Late last year Bird River, MB put this 2013 IHC 4400/Acres pumper in service. It sports a 1050igpm pump, and an 800gwt (s/n 131220111). (Dave Stewardson photos)



Two rigs presented at the 2014 IFBA Convention in Dallas. Run by the Dallas Fort Worth Airport Fire/EMS Service, Mobile Intensive Care Unit 601 is a 2012 Ford F450/Frazer ambulance (SN E2365), and Trauma 611 is a 2004 Pierce Heavy Rescue (SN 15523). (Bob Rupert photos)





Another rig from Firefest owned by Brent DeNure, this 1988 Mack CF 1000 GPM Pumper, ex-FDNY Engine 328, saw service at Ground Zero.



From the St. Thomas Muster, this is a 1981 American LaFrance Century 1500 GPM Pumper, ex-Huntington NJ, Engine 65-3. It's owned by Rob Redman of St. Thomas. (Walt McCall photos)