



# Illinois Conservation Police Bi-Weekly Report



*Vision Statement: As vigilant guardians we will protect the citizens and natural resources of Illinois.*

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(Weeks of June 1 – 15, 2019)

*This report represents some events the Office of Law Enforcement (OLE) handled over the last couple of weeks; however, it does not include all actions taken by the OLE.*

## **Northwest Zone – Captain Laura Petreikis**

### **District 1 – Sgt. Tony Petreikis**

**(Counties: Carroll, Henry, JoDaviess, Lee, Mercer, Ogle, Rock Island, Stephenson & Whiteside)**

#### **CARROLL COUNTY**

CPO Teas and CPO Trainee (CPOT) Andrew Hyatt responded to a boat accident at Lake Carroll. An overloaded ski boat was pulling a subject on a tube, and the boat took a large wake over the bow. The occupants ran to the rear of the boat which caused the entire boat to sink. All passengers were recovered uninjured from the water by passing boaters. The boat was later recovered, and the operator was issued a citation for operation of watercraft over capacity.

CPO Palumbo and CPOT Skelton issued a Moline man a citation for being in possession of alcohol in a posted prohibited area at Mississippi Palisades State Park.

#### **HENRY COUNTY**

While conducting fishing compliance checks, CPO Posateri issued a written warning to a Kewanee man for failure to immediately release a 12-inch bass. The fish was returned to the water, and the CPO provided the man and his son a fishing digest.

CPOT AJ Hyatt and CPO Posateri responded to a report that a subject, who was staying in a cabin at Johnson-Sauk Trail State Recreation Area, had carved his last name into a tree. The officers met with the subject; and after he confessed, a citation was issued for the violation.

#### **JODAVIESS COUNTY**

CPO Hoftender and CPOT Doescher cited a McHenry County woman for fishing without a license.

While on patrol at Apple River Canyon State Park, CPO Hoftender and CPOT Doescher observed a vehicle drive by with a child hanging out of the car window. A vehicle stop was conducted, and the man was cited for the violation.

#### **LEE COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

#### **MERCER COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**OGLE COUNTY**

While on patrol at Castle Rock State Park, CPO Teas conducted a vehicle stop. Cannabis was discovered, and the driver was issued a civil citation.

While conducting fishing compliance checks, CPO Teas found a man without a valid fishing license and in possession of live, rusty crayfish (invasive species). Citations were issued.

**ROCK ISLAND COUNTY**

CPO Francisko responded to a report of three kayakers in the Rock River that needed to be rescued. The River was in major flood stage, and the water temperature was in the low 70s. Multiple other agencies were involved in the search (Blackhawk Fire District, Milan Police Department, Rock Island City Police and Fire, Moline City Police and Fire, and Rock Island Arsenal Fire). He launched his boat and eventually heard cries for help coming from a flooded island. One of the subjects was found neck deep in the water, holding onto a tree branch. He lost his kayak and PFD when he was swept into a log jam. Another man was found in the water, not wearing a PFD, holding onto his kayak and a tree branch. The third man was in his kayak and wearing his PFD. CPO Francisko loaded the men and the two kayaks onto his boat and took them to safety.

CPOT AJ Hyatt and CPO Posateri responded to a trapping complaint. Two traps were located, and one live trap had a small groundhog in it. The complainant said the groundhog had been in the trap for nearly three days. The CPOs seized the trap containing the groundhog, and the animal was then released in a different location. The landowner called CPO Posateri several hours later, and she met with the caretaker who had set the traps. They discussed the regulations for trapping. He reassured the CPO that it was a family of groundhogs he had been trapping, and the traps were checked at least twice a day. He was issued a written warning for not having written consent from the landowner and failure to tag the traps.

**STEPHENSON COUNTY**

CPO Beltran and CPOT AJ Hyatt arrested two men for having undersized bass and over limit of crappie.

**WHITESIDE COUNTY**

While patrolling Morrison-Rockwood State Park, CPO Palumbo issued five park citations, one driving without a license citation; and he completed a juvenile contact for a juvenile being in possession of 40.9 grams of cannabis. Multiple written warnings for park and Illinois Vehicle Code violations were also issued.

**District 6 – Sgt. Phil Wire  
(Counties: Boone, Bureau, DeKalb, LaSalle, Putnam & Winnebago)**

**BOONE COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**BUREAU COUNTY**

While checking fishermen along the Hennepin Canal, CPO Wagner cited two individuals for fishing without a fishing license.

**DEKALB COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**LASALLE COUNTY**

While patrolling near the Illinois and Michigan Canal State Trail, CPO Wagner observed two individuals who appeared to be hiding or concealing something. When confronted, both individuals fled the area. After a brief search by multiple officers, the subjects were located. The subjects were cited for resisting a peace officer, trespassing on the railroad right-of-way, and having a dog off leash.

CPOs Jansen and Kaufman, along with CPOT Gerdes, responded to the Starved Rock Lodge for a report of an unwanted guest at a wedding reception. After being on scene for 20 minutes, it was determined that the unwanted guest had left the Park.

CPO Kaufman conducted fishing compliance checks at two lakes. He found an individual with no fishing license and two undersized smallmouth bass. Appropriate enforcement action was taken.

While conducting fishing compliance checks on the Fox River, CPO Kaufman found an individual in possession of two smallmouth bass out of season. No smallmouth bass may be in possession from April 1 to June 15 on the Fox River. One of the bass was able to be released back into the River. One citation was issued.

**PUTNAM COUNTY**

CPOs Finn and Willand conducted watercraft safety inspections and fishing compliance checks. CPO Willand found several boats that did not have the required safety equipment on board, and the fishermen did not have fishing licenses. He also found one fisherman with an undersized largemouth bass. CPO Willand wrote four citations and nine written warnings for the boat and fishing violations.

**WINNEBAGO COUNTY**

While on patrol at Rock Cut State Park, CPO Wagner cited an individual for operating a motor vehicle without wearing a seat belt.

**District 7 – Sgt. Scott Avery  
(Counties: Fulton, Henderson, Knox, Marshall, McDonough, Peoria, Stark, Tazewell,  
Warren & Woodford)**

**FULTON COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**HENDERSON COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**KNOX COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**MARSHALL COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**MCDONOUGH COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**PEORIA COUNTY**

CPO Lazzell and CPOT McCarter conducted boat safety checks at Banner Marsh State Fish and Wildlife Area. One citation was issued for insufficient life jackets on board, and three written warnings were issued for other boat safety equipment violations.

CPO Gerard cited two individuals for unlawfully fishing without consent of the landowner.

CPO Gerard cited five individuals for unlawful operation of ATVs on property without permission.

**STARK COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**TAZEWELL COUNTY**

CPO Lazzell and CPOT McCarter investigated a complaint of criminal trespass to real property. The subject involved was issued one written warning.

CPOT McCarter assisted in a sport fishing enforcement detail at Powerton Lake State Fish and Wildlife Area. One citation was issued for snagging, and one written warning was issued for fishing license not in possession.

**WARREN COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**WOODFORD COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**District 9 – Sgt. Eric Myers**

**(Counties: Adams, Brown, Calhoun, Greene, Hancock, Jersey, Macoupin, Pike & Schuyler)**

**ADAMS COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**BROWN COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**CALHOUN COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**GREENE COUNTY**

CPO Snodgrass conducted a traffic stop on a timber truck. During the inspection, it was found that the driver did not possess the required haul log data. The driver was educated on the requirements, and he was issued a written warning for the violation.

**HANCOCK COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**JERSEY COUNTY**

CPOT Olroyd and CPO Goetten patrolled the flood waters by land and water.

CPOT Olroyd and CPO Goetten initiated an investigation into an illegal dumping complaint.

**MACOUPIN COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

PIKE COUNTY

No activity reported for this county.

SCHUYLER COUNTY

No activity reported for this county.

**District 10 – Captain Laura Petreikis**

**(Counties: Cass, Christian, Logan, Mason, Menard, Morgan, Sangamon & Scott)**

CASS COUNTY

No activity reported for this county.

CHRISTIAN COUNTY

CPO Macias responded to a call from the Sangchris Lake State Park site superintendent about a subject who drove a truck off-road. The investigation revealed that the subject, who was camping at the Park, decided to go off-road with his 4x4 truck; and his truck got stuck in the mud. During his self-extrication, he caused several ruts; and he cut down a tree to get traction. CPO Macias followed the tracks from the initial point of entry to the location where the driver self-extricated. The length covered was approximately 300 yards in an area closed to motor traffic. The man was eventually found, and appropriate enforcement action was taken.

LOGAN COUNTY

No activity reported for this county.

MASON COUNTY

No activity reported for this county.

MENARD COUNTY

No activity reported for this county.

MORGAN COUNTY

No activity reported for this county.

SANGAMON COUNTY

No activity reported for this county.

SCOTT COUNTY

CPO Snodgrass monitored and patrolled areas of the Illinois River impacted by significant flooding.

**Northeast Zone – Captain Jed Whitchurch**

**District 2 – Sgt. Eric Schreiber**

**(Counties: Kane, Lake & McHenry)**

KANE COUNTY

No activity reported for this county.

LAKE COUNTY

CPO Winters cited a subject at Grays Lake for failure to immediately release an undersized largemouth bass.

CPO Kelley and Intern Gott assisted with getting a mallard hen and five ducklings out of the courtyard of a Lake County school. The ducks were ushered into a nearby appropriate habitat.

CPO Knop cited a subject at Nippersink Lake for failure to immediately release a 20-inch walleye which is in the protected 18-inch to 24-inch length limit.

CPO Knop cited two subjects at Diamond Lake for unlawfully keeping undersized largemouth bass. Bass in this body of water must be a minimum of 15 inches. One subject had a 9-inch largemouth bass, and the second subject had a 13.5-inch bass.

CPO Knop arrested a subject at Lake Michigan for unlawfully having 14 yellow perch in his possession during the closed perch season (May 1 – June 15).

CPO Reid arrested a subject at Adeline Jay Geo-Karis Illinois Beach State Park for driving with a suspended driver's license and no valid insurance. In a separate incidence, CPO Reid arrested a subject at Adeline Jay Geo-Karis Illinois Beach State Park for possession of cannabis, less than 10 grams.

CPO Kelley cited a subject on Loon Lake for waterskiing/tubing without having a competent observer on the boat.

CPOs Reid and Knop arrested four juveniles at Adeline Jay Geo-Karis Illinois Beach State Park for being in possession of a stolen vehicle. One subject was also charged with obstructing identification for providing numerous fictitious names, and a second subject had an outstanding warrant from a previous stolen vehicle arrest.

#### MCHENRY COUNTY

CPO Davis assisted the McHenry County Sheriff's Department with setting a perimeter after a suspect with a firearm fled from a deputy during a traffic stop. The suspect and his passenger were taken into custody without incident.

CPO Kelley and Intern Gott attended the NRA Youth Education and Hunting Challenge at the Richmond Hunt Club. Over 100 young participants were able to access the education trailer, ask questions, and enjoy looking at the furbearer pelts and displays.

### **District 3 – Sgt. Dave Wollgast** **(Counties: Grundy, Kankakee, Kendall & Will)**

#### GRUNDY COUNTY

No activity reported for this county.

#### KANKAKEE COUNTY

CPOs Farber, Anderson, Honiotes, and Sandford, CPOTs Prasun, Wilkinson, and Kusta, along with Sgt. Mooi, responded to a boat accident on the Kankakee River near the Indiana State line. A jon boat with two men and a dog on board lost motor power and got swept into a log jam in the swift current. The boat capsized leaving the occupants in the River against the log jam. One man and his dog were sucked under the log jam and did not resurface. The search for the man is ongoing with the assistance of the Momence Fire Department, Illinois State Police, and Kankakee County Sheriff's Office.

#### KENDALL COUNTY

No activity reported for this county.

#### WILL COUNTY

CPO Honiotes assisted a mentally challenged woman and her dog at the Des Plaines Conservation Area. He contacted her father and helped her return home.

**District 4 – Captain Jed Whitchurch  
(Counties: Cook & DuPage)**

**COOK COUNTY**

While on patrol at William W. Powers State Recreation Area, CPO Sanford conducted a traffic stop on a speeding vehicle. The driver was issued a written warning for the violation.

CPO Sanford conducted a traffic stop on a motorcycle that was unlawfully passing vehicles on the right shoulder of I-294. The operator of the motorcycle was issued a written warning for the violation.

CPO Sanford assisted CPO Beltran with promotional photographs.

CPO Sanford assisted University of Chicago personnel with the relocation of a goose family from atop a building on campus.

CPO Stanbary issued a citation to a fisherman at Montrose Harbor. During a compliance check, the CPO looked inside a minnow bucket and discovered a live goby inside the bucket. The round goby is an invasive species and cannot be retained alive. Appropriate enforcement action was taken. In a separate incidence, CPO Stanbary issued a warning to a fisherman at Montrose Harbor after his fishing gear (power line) was found unattended.

CPO Stanbary spoke at a hunter safety course in Bartlett. He shared information and resources about the laws pertaining to hunting in Illinois.

CPOs Stanbary and Klemme conducted a joint patrol focusing on sport fish enforcement. During the patrol, one citation was issued to a fisherman for no valid sport fishing license. A warning was issued to a 16-year-old for no sport fishing license. The young fisherman was educated that he was now of age to have to purchase a license. Warnings were issued to multiple fishermen for no license in possession. Another fisherman was issued a citation after the CPOs found that the man had thrown a beer can into the weeds.

CPO Stanbary assisted with an IHSA Bass Tournament at Tampier Lake. He helped with boat inspections for teams participating in the event.

CPO Stanbary issued a citation to a driver on Lake Shore Drive after an infant was observed being held by the front seat passenger. The driver is due in court for the child safety seat violation.

CPO Stanbary issued a written warning to a boat operator at Lincoln Park Lagoon for an equipment violation and unnumbered watercraft. The boat operator was also warned after bank fishermen complained that their lines were ran over by the prop of the same boat.

A fisherman at Belly Deep Slough was issued a warning by CPO Stanbary for no license in possession.

**DUPAGE COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**District 19 – Sgt. John Williamson  
(Counties: Champaign, DeWitt, Ford, Iroquois, Livingston, Macon, McLean, Piatt & Vermilion)**

**CHAMPAIGN COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**DEWITT COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**FORD COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**IROQUOIS COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**LIVINGSTON COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**MACON COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**MCLEAN COUNTY**

CPO Graden has been assigned to the IDNR Academy.

**PIATT COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**VERMILION COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**South Zone – Captain Jim Mayes**

**District 11 – Sgt. Brian McReynolds**

**(Counties: Clark, Coles, Cumberland, Douglas, Edgar, Moultrie & Shelby)**

**CLARK COUNTY**

CPO Wellum responded to a report of an injured deer on I-70. He located the deer; but due to its extensive injuries, the deer was dispatched.

CPO Wellum conducted a traffic stop on a timber truck, and a timber inspection was completed. No discrepancies were found. In a separate incident, CPO Wellum conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle, and the driver was issued a citation for speeding.

CPO Wellum observed a subject in a vehicle at Mill Creek Lake with an open container of alcohol, and the driver was issued a citation for illegal transportation of alcohol. In a separate incidence, CPO Wellum assisted a stranded boater on Mill Creek Lake. The boat's engine quit working, and he assisted with moving the boat to the boat ramp for removal from the water.

CPO Wellum assisted a Clark County deputy with a report of a stabbing. The subject was arrested and taken to the Clark County Jail for processing, and the case is being handled by the Clark County Sheriff's Office.



## COLES COUNTY

CPO Mieure issued a Charleston man one written warning for fishing without his fishing license in possession. In a separate incidence, CPO Mieure issued a Toledo man one written warning for his watercraft batteries being unsecured and terminals not covered.

While conducting fishing compliance checks at Lake Paradise, CPO Mieure and CPOT Hyatt issued a Mattoon man one written warning for having more than the allowed number of fishing poles.

CPO Greuel cited a Neoga man at Lake Paradise for possession of drug paraphernalia and cannabis. He was also cited for fishing without a valid license.

## CUMBERLAND COUNTY

CPO Greuel cited a Joliet man on Lake Mattoon for failure to transfer certificate of watercraft number.

CPOs Wellum and Greuel stopped a boat on Lake Mattoon, and a safety inspection was conducted. The operator of the watercraft did not have enough life jackets, and a citation was issued for the violation.

## DOUGLAS COUNTY

CPO Mieure issued two men at Walnut Point State Park written warnings for fishing without a license.

CPO Mieure issued a man from Broadlands a written warning for fishing without his fishing license in possession.

## EDGAR COUNTY

No activity reported for this county.

## MOULTRIE COUNTY

CPO Mieure and CPOT Hyatt conducted a traffic stop and issued the driver two written warnings for no proof of insurance and no vehicle registration.

While conducting fishing compliance checks at Lake Shelbyville, CPO Moody cited a Bement man and woman for possession of drug paraphernalia. The man was also cited for no valid fishing license.

CPO Moody issued citations and warnings to individuals on Lake Shelbyville for various boating violations.

## SHELBY COUNTY

CPO Greuel cited a Mattoon man on the Little Wabash River for possession of cannabis. In a separate incidence, CPO Greuel cited a Mattoon man on the Little Wabash River for fishing without a valid license.

CPO Greuel cited a Stewardson man at Hidden Springs State Forest for possession of cannabis.

CPO Greuel and Sgt. McReynolds cited two minors on Lake Shelbyville for unlawful consumption of alcohol by a minor. A Kankakee man was cited for unlawful gift or sale of alcohol to a minor.

CPO Barnes received a complaint from staff at the Lake Shelbyville Lithia Springs Marina regarding a personal watercraft making a wake in their no wake zone. He located the operator, and a citation was issued for violating the no wake zone. A written warning was issued for the expired registration on the personal watercraft.

CPO Greuel cited a Mattoon man at Lake Shelbyville for failure to transfer the certificate of watercraft number.

CPO Greuel and Sgt. McReynolds cited a Mattoon man on Lake Mattoon for insufficient personal flotation devices on the watercraft.

CPO Greuel cited a Champaign man on Lake Shelbyville for insufficient personal flotation devices on the watercraft.

**District 13 – Sgt. Eric Manker**

**(Counties: Bond, Clinton, Madison, Monroe, Montgomery, Randolph, St. Clair & Washington)**

**BOND COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**CLINTON COUNTY**

CPO Sievers and District 13 officers patrolled the IHSA Bass Tournament at Carlyle Lake.

CPO Sievers is investigating the illegal trapping of a groundhog.

**MADISON COUNTY**

CPO Sievers conducted fishing compliance checks. One fisherman had a snapping turtling in a bucket. The subject was informed that snapping turtle season did not open until June 15<sup>th</sup>. The subject released the turtle unharmed. A second fisherman, who was a nonresident, did not have a fishing license and was fishing with three fishing poles in a two-pole limit lake. A citation was issued for not possessing a valid nonresident fishing license, and a written warning was issued for fishing with three poles.

**MONROE COUNTY**

CPO Schachner patrolled several local lakes and encountered five different subjects who were fishing without a valid fishing license. Two other subjects were kayaking without life preservers. Several citations and multiple written warnings were issued.

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**RANDOLPH COUNTY**

CPO Sievers was notified that a homeless couple was sleeping in the shelters at the Randolph County State Recreational Area. He spoke to the couple and helped them with temporary lodging arrangements. At their request, he also arranged for their dog to be transferred to the county animal control because they were no longer able to care for it.

CPO Sievers stopped a timber truck that was transporting logs from Missouri to Indiana. The truck driver did not have any shipping documents, and a citation was issued. In a separate incidence, CPO Sievers stopped a timber truck that was transporting timber from Illinois to Missouri. The truck driver did not have proof of ownership and no daily haul log. Appropriate enforcement action was taken.

CPO Sievers and Sgt. Manker assisted the Levee District. They used a small boat and kayak to place stakes in the water to identify an area for a rock structure to stop a large sand boil.

**ST. CLAIR COUNTY**

CPO Sievers checked two fishermen that were removing their boat from Eagle Lake at Peabody River King State Fish and Wildlife Area. The boat owner threw three crappies back into the Lake before he could be told to stop. At the boat ramp, the CPO observed a crappie floating in the water that appeared to be shorter than the nine-inch length

requirement. A boat inspection was conducted, and the coolers were full of open and sealed alcohol beverage cans and bottles. The boat owner admitted to drinking. The other fisherman stated that he had not consumed any alcohol. The boat owner was issued a citation for unlawful possession of alcohol in a posted no alcohol area, and three written warnings were issued for boat equipment violations.

WASHINGTON COUNTY

No activity reported for this county.

**District 14 – Sgt. Jeff Cariens**

**(Counties: Franklin, Gallatin, Hamilton, Hardin, Jefferson, Pope, Saline & White)**

FRANKLIN COUNTY

CPO Jourdan arrested a 20-year-old male at Rend Lake for operating a boat under the influence of alcohol. The underage male was in possession of beer and a bottle of vodka. A citation was also issued for failure to have an approved life jacket on board the boat.

CPOT Wilkinson and CPO Williams arrested a passenger of a vehicle on a Hamilton County warrant. During the arrest, CPOT Wilkinson discovered the driver had suspended privileges in Illinois. A Notice to Appear was issued.

CPOs Jourdan and Williams, along with CPOT Wilkinson, conducted a boat patrol at Rend Lake. CPOT Wilkinson observed two subjects dancing on the rear seats of a watercraft that was underway. The watercraft was stopped, and CPOT Wilkinson determined the operator to be under the influence of alcohol. Following arrest, the operator submitted a breath sample indicating a BAC of .092. In a separate incidence, CPOT Wilkinson cited an operator for violating a no wake area on Rend Lake.

CPO Williams cited a Franklin County fisherman for fishing without a license.

GALLATIN COUNTY

No activity reported for this county.

HAMILTON COUNTY

No activity reported for this county.

HARDIN COUNTY

No activity reported for this county.

JEFFERSON COUNTY

No activity reported for this county.

POPE COUNTY

No activity reported for this county.

SALINE COUNTY

CPO Jourdan and CPOT Skelton received a call that a juvenile eagle fell from its nest and was unable to fly. The eagle was located, and they transported it to Free Again Wildlife Rehabilitation. The eagle appeared to be in good condition and will be returned to the wild soon.

CPOT Wilkinson and CPO Williams cited a Harrisburg subject at Saline County State Fish and Wildlife Area for operating a vehicle off-road.

CPO Williams cited a Saline County subject for littering on the roadway at the entrance to Sahara Woods State Fish and Wildlife Area. During the traffic stop, it was discovered that their FOID card was revoked; and it was recovered. No firearms or ammunition were located.

**WHITE COUNTY**

CPO Haggerty and CPOT Skelton seized two illegal hoop nets from the Wabash River. The owner of the hoop nets called the next day, and he stated that he found the seizure tag. Citations were issued for failure to tag a commercial fishing device with name and address and failure to display device tag on a commercial fishing net.

**District 15 – Sgt. Dave Hyatt**

**(Counties: Clay, Crawford, Edwards, Effingham, Fayette, Jasper, Lawrence, Marion Richland, Wabash & Wayne)**

**CLAY COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**CRAWFORD COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**EDWARDS COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**EFFINGHAM COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**FAYETTE COUNTY**

While on patrol at Ramsey Lake State Recreation Area, CPO Roper observed a driver of a vehicle not wearing a seat belt. A traffic stop was initiated, and two children were discovered in the backseat of the vehicle not wearing seat belts. The driver of the vehicle was also found to have a suspended license. Four citations were issued, and the driver was required to park the vehicle.

**JASPER COUNTY**

CPO Roper observed an individual fishing and initiated a fishing compliance check. The subject was found to have no valid fishing license, and a citation was issued.

While conducting a boat patrol on Newton Lake, CPO Roper observed a boat with an expired registration sticker. A boat safety check inspection was conducted; and the following violations were found: expired registration sticker, too few life jackets on board, and no required throwing device. The operator of the boat was issued one citation for failure to have the required number of life jackets, and written warnings were issued for the other two violations.

While patrolling Newton Lake, CPO Taylor and CPOT Wahlbrink observed two fishermen fishing from the east ramp dock; and a fishing compliance check was conducted. One subject stated he did not have his fishing license with him, and the other subject did not have a fishing license. They were asked if they had caught any fish; and they said that they had not; however, a stringer was found that had several catfish and a bass. The bass was short of the required length. Appropriate enforcement action was taken.

**LAWRENCE COUNTY**

After receiving complaints of speeding through Red Hills State Park, CPO Taylor and CPOT Wahlbrink conducted traffic enforcement in the Park. Two citations were issued for speeding, and several written warnings were issued for other violations.

#### MARION COUNTY

No activity reported for this county.

#### RICHLAND COUNTY

While conducting a boat patrol on East Fork Lake, CPO Taylor and CPOT Wahlbrink observed two subjects fishing from shore. A fishing compliance check was conducted, and one of the fishermen stated he did not have a fishing license. The other fisherman stated he was not fishing, even though there was a fishing pole right beside him. The subject later admitted to fishing. Two citations were issued for fishing without a fishing license.

While conducting a boat patrol on Borah Lake, CPO Taylor and CPOT Wahlbrink observed a boat on plane in a no wake zone. The operator was issued a citation. Various written warnings were issued to other watercraft operators.

#### WABASH COUNTY

CPO Taylor received a complaint of a subject at Beall Wood State Park driving off-road, causing ruts. The subject was identified, and he confessed during an interview. Appropriate enforcement action was taken.

#### WAYNE COUNTY

CPO Taylor received a complaint of a subject kicking a goose and taking a gosling from its mother. CPO Taylor and CPOT Wahlbrink interviewed the subject, and he admitted to taking the gosling. Several citations were issued, and the gosling was placed with other geese and goslings.

After receiving information from a reliable source, CPO Buhnerkempe and CPOT Spinka cited a man for unlawful possession of a red fox.

CPO Buhnerkempe and CPOT Spinka attended a hunter safety class in Fairfield.

### **District 16 – Sgt. Kris Taylor**

**(Counties: Alexander, Jackson, Johnson, Massac, Perry, Pulaski, Union & Williamson)**

#### ALEXANDER COUNTY

No activity reported for this county.

#### JACKSON COUNTY

CPO Tapley stopped a vehicle at Giant City State Park, and the driver was found to have a revoked driver's license. Appropriate enforcement action was taken. In a separate incidence, CPO Tapley stopped a vehicle for travelling 58 mph in a 35-mph zone at Giant City State Park. The driver was found to have a suspended driver's license. Appropriate enforcement action was taken.

CPO Tapley investigated a report of a subject shooting turtles in a subdivision pond. The subject said the turtles were getting into the sewer pipes and clogging them up. A citation was issued.

CPO Vasicek and CPOT Wolf arrested two impaired boat operators on Kinkaid Lake for OUI. One operator was under the influence of drugs; the other was under the influence of alcohol.

CPO Johnson cited a subject for operating a jet ski at a high rate of speed in a no wake area.

CPO Johnson has been in contact with multiple agencies to assist in the apprehension of a wanted subject who was involved in the theft of a thermal imager from the Burning Star State Fish and Wildlife Area. Herrin Police arrested the subject, and CPO Johnson interviewed him at the Williamson County Jail.

**JOHNSON COUNTY**

CPO Johnson is continuing to work on a felony timber theft case.

CPO Johnson received a report of a raccoon biting an individual. The health department was contacted, and the animal is being examined for rabies.

**MASSAC COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**PERRY COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**PULASKI COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**UNION COUNTY**

No activity reported for this county.

**WILLIAMSON COUNTY**

CPO Johnson arrested an impaired boater on Lake of Egypt. The subject was charged with an OUI with a BAC of .103.

CPO Johnson taught timber code enforcement to the current recruit class at the IDNR Academy.