

Office of Law Enforcement
WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT
June 5, 2013

REGION I

A CPO conducted a search and rescue on the Vermilion River in Lowell, Illinois to facilitate the rescue of four stranded rafters who were all uninjured.

A CPO was conducting boat safety inspections on the flooded Mississippi River in the Quad City area. A small two person boat was stopped for a random boat safety inspection. This watercraft contained no PFD's at all (for the two occupants), no whistle, no proof of registration, had an unsecured battery with uncovered positive terminal and other violations. Proper enforcement action was taken as a TV Channel 8 news crew rolled on scene at Sunset Marina and covered the event. A media interview was granted at the conclusion of the stop. To the boat owners credit he admitted he had just bought the boat and the PFD's were on order and he knew he was in the wrong. The Rock Island man stated "I just couldn't wait to get it in the water".

A CPO completed watercraft patrols on the Rock River in Winnebago County and completed numerous fishing license and watercraft safety inspections. Violations detected included: fishing without fishing license(s), fishing without fishing licenses in possession, watercraft registration and display violations, insufficient number of wearable and throwable PFD violations, and battery terminal violations.

A subject arrested by the District Sgt in Fulton County for hunting while revoked and hunting without permission in January 2013 recently pleaded guilty. He was assessed fines and costs totaling \$1547 and ordered to serve 60 days in the County Jail.

While conducting sport fishing compliance checks on the Apple River, Galena River and Smallpox Creek in Jo Daviess County a District 1 CPO found four individuals fishing without valid sport fishing licenses. Citations were issued.

While conducting boat safety compliance checks in Jo Daviess County a District 1 CPO issued a citation to a Galena man for operation of a watercraft with insufficient number of personal flotation devices. Warnings were issued for an unserviceable fire extinguisher, improper display of registration and unsecured storage battery.

A District 1 CPO responded to a break in at Morrison Rockwood State Park. The break in is currently under investigation by IDNR and Whiteside County Sheriff's Department.

A District 1 CPO responded to a complaint of a snapping turtle being taken out of season. A Lanark man was issued a written warning and educated about the new season from June 15th to August 31st.

A deer on the railroad tracks prompted Conservation Police and a Lee County Deputy to investigate, which resulted in the arrest of a Steward and Rochelle man who, during a late night party, decided to possess controlled substances and skin a deer then discard it on the railroad tracks.

A Chicago man was cited for keeping everything he could catch at the Oregon Dam. The man and his family placed several fresh water drum, carp, catfish, and small mouth bass onto the stringer despite signs clearly stating the small mouth bass was catch and release only from April 1st to June 15th. The small mouth bass were also undersized.

A Fox River Grove man was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol and cannabis at Mississippi Palisades State Park over the holiday weekend. During the investigation officers discovered cannabis, open alcohol, and drug paraphernalia.

A District 1 CPO took the education trailer to the Annawan NWTF Jake's Day event. There were approximately 75 kids registered. The CPO talked to the kids about the duties of a CPO along with what to do if they find wildlife babies. They also went through the trailer where they were able to look at wildlife taxidermy mounts and touch various pelts. The kids then moved on to a bird house building station, a blow up BB range from NWTF, an archery range, and an air soft pellet demo. At the end of the event, each kid in attendance was entered into a drawing and 2 kids were awarded an Illinois Lifetime Hunting License.

Two District 6 CPOs responded to an explosion at a chemical plant in Seward to assist Illinois State Police and other area law enforcement and fire personnel in the evacuation of area residents and traffic control.

REGION II

A District 2 CPO was working the first Thursday night boat races on the Chain O' Lakes with another District 2 Officer and a District 4 Officer. However, due to inclement weather the races were canceled and isolated rain showers dramatically depleted the boat traffic in the area. Only one watercraft was checked during the course of the evening but the operator was arrested for OUI having a BAC of 0.150%. The operator stated that he had drank too much at a local bar waiting for the weather to clear.

A District 2 CPO was checking fishermen along the Fox River when he observed a small largemouth bass on a stringer. Bass must be 14" in that particular body of water. A young boy stated that the fish was his and was very excited about catching it. The CPO measured the fish at 9 1/2" and explained to the boy the regulations and released the fish unharmed. While the CPO was checking other fishermen in the park the same boy reached into the bucket of another fisherman and pulled out a 13 1/2" walleye. That person was subsequently issued a citation for failure to immediately release an undersized fish.

A District 2 CPO was checking fishermen at the McHenry Dam and encountered a subject with a 10" largemouth bass and an 18 3/4" walleye. Bass must be 14" and the walleye have a protected

slot between 14" and 18". The subject was issued a citation for the walleye and a warning for the bass.

A District 2 CPO issued a citation to a fisherman at the McHenry Dam for failure to immediately release a 9 ½" largemouth bass and a warning to his wife for no valid fishing license.

A District 2 CPO was checking fishermen at the Chain O' Lakes State Park and issued a citation to a subject for failure to immediately release a 7 ½" largemouth bass.

REGION III

A CPO made an arrest of a male subject in Piatt County for driving under the influence of alcohol and prescription medication. The subject was found on the shoulder of the Interstate passed out in his vehicle while it was running. He was arrested and lodged at the Piatt County Jail.

A CPO made an arrest of a male subject in Champaign County. The subject had a no bond warrant for his arrest for violating his parole. He was also issued a citation for sport fishing without a valid license. The subject was lodged at the Champaign County Jail.

REGION IV

A District 13 CPO arrested a subject in Horseshoe Lake State Park for operation of uninsured motor vehicle after the driver was stopped for speeding. The CPO was advised by the driver that she did not have any insurance and she was cited. The driver was given a written warning for speeding.

A District 13 CPO issued various written warnings in the District 13 state parks over the Memorial Weekend Holiday for various fishing and IVC infractions.

A CPO completed two boat registration/title investigations.

While a CPO was patrolling the Randolph County Conservation Area, a Site Tech informed him that a tent camper had reported a theft from the camper's camp site. While the camper was away, someone entered his tent and stole two containers of camping gear.

A District 13 CPO was patrolling the Mississippi River and its tributaries, checking fishermen for licenses. Numerous fishermen were checked, with 2 citations and 1 warning issued for no license.

A District 13 CPO was checking a group of four fishermen on the Cahokia Diversion Canal at the Lewis and Clark Historical Site. Three of the four fishermen did not have fishing licenses. Two of the men were wanted on warrants. A District 11 state trooper was nearby and stopped by to assist. The trooper took one of the men on a \$3000.00 warrant for FTA (failure to appear), no insurance out of St. Clair County. The CPO arrested the other man on a no bond warrant out of Madison County for FTA (failure to appear) theft over \$300.00 stemming from a felony case from 2008. Both men were taken to the Madison County Jail. All three fishermen that were fishing without a license were issued citations for the offense.

A District 13 CPO was checking fishermen along the Chain of Rocks Canal when he encountered a group of Missouri fishermen fishing off the levee. Three males could be seen in the distance with long guns in their hands. After observing them with binoculars and noticing that when they shot there was no sound, it was apparent the long guns were air rifles. The males with the air guns were later found to be between 13 and 15 years old. Two adult males (relatives) were fishing away from the youths with the air guns and did not have any fishing licenses. Two other 16 year olds were also fishing without licenses. The two adults were cited for no license and told about the laws regarding air rifles in Illinois. The 16 year olds were verbally warned about not having fishing licenses. The juveniles with the air rifles were lectured about the dangers of and the legalities pertaining to the guns.

A CPO received a complaint from the Springfield Office regarding a Montgomery County subject attempting to sell two baby squirrels on Craigslist. With the assistance of Litchfield Police Department, a plain clothes buy was set up and the individual was subsequently arrested for unlawfully taking and retaining the two live squirrels.

A District 13 CPO instructed a Hunter Safety Class at the VFW in Millstadt. There were about 100 participants and the CPO advised the class of the Hunting Regulations with a focus on staying safe in the field.

A District 13 CPO conducted several watercraft inspections and fishing licenses at Horseshoe Lake State Park. A written warning was issued to a fisherman who did not have his fishing license in his possession while fishing the lake.

A District 13 CPO arrested a subject for possession of short crappie at Peabody River King State Fish and Wildlife Area after stopping his vehicle after he was about to leave the park. After stopping the subject the CPO asked if he caught any fish. He stated he had some in a bucket in the back of his boat. The CPO looked into the bucket and there were several crappies that looked short. After getting a bump (measuring) board it was found that the subject had 14 short fish. A citation and written warning were issued. The fish were still alive and the short fish released back into the lake where they were caught.

A District 13 CPO was on boat patrol at Peabody River King conducting compliance checks on fishermen and boaters. The officer discovered multiple violations of boat safety laws and fish laws to include fishing without fishing license, over horsepower restriction, insufficient number of wearable PFD's on boat and other various safety equipment deficiencies. The fishermen and boaters were issued a combination of written warning and citations for their deficiencies.

REGION V

A CPO arrested two subjects fishing on the bank of the Wabash River near Maunie. The CPO approached one subject as he passed a cannabis pipe to the other and was able to seize the pipe as the second subject was bringing it to his mouth. Possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of cannabis and fishing without a license summarize the charges.

A boat patrol on Rend Lake resulted in several written warnings and a fishing license tickets, CPOs investigated a string of unattended fishing devices on the main body of the lake. A

CPO recovered several throw lines without name and address. Contact was made with the owner and the devices returned along with a citation.

A CPO observed a boat on McLeansboro Lake (a two pole and line only body of water) tending jugs and a 10 year old child onboard without wearing a life jacket. Contact was made and it was determined the boat had been purchased in the Spring but the registration had not been transferred. Appropriate enforcement action was taken.

A Sgt and CPO were patrolling Forbes State Park when they observed a subject driving off the roadway. The subject was stopped and stated he had a revoked driver's license. He had been fishing and had three catfish in the trunk, but no fishing license. The subject was processed and arrested for DUI and a one hitter pipe was found in his pocket.

CPOs patrolled Lake Sara in Effingham County, citations and warnings were issued for fishing and boating violations.

A CPO cited a subject in Jasper County for throwing trash in a fishing area at Newton Lake.

CPOs responded to a drowning at Forbes State Park. A male subject in his twenties drowned while swimming in the beach area. CPOs were able to locate the victim quickly. An autopsy is being conducted at this time.

A CPO assisted the Union County Sheriff and the Jonesboro Police on a call from a resident involving a man with a gun. The situation eventually involved a use of force and the incident which is under investigation by the ISP. No detail may be released as of this time pending the investigation.

A CPO cited a Williamson County resident for unlawfully taking a whitetail deer without a valid permit. The subject stated that he had shot a deer and found out he had not purchased any archery tags when he had bought his hunting licenses.

Rainy and cold weather hampered activities at Kinkaid Lake. Minor boat violations were noted with warnings due to the low number of boaters out for the weekend.

A CPO responded to a complaint in Perry County of coon hunters who had harassed a local land owner. They had been hunting unlawfully on his property. The subjects could not be located and the investigation is ongoing.

A CPO cited a fisherman at Crab Orchard Lake for not having a fishing license. He stated he hadn't bought one in years and decided to go out with some friends this one time.

A CPO checked some fishermen at Crab Orchard Lake who had caught a 5 gallon bucket full of bluegill. When asked, they stated that was all they had. The CPO went through the bucket and found a largemouth bass that was under the legal length limit. The fisherman was cited.

A CPO attended a boat safety class at the Metropolis Fire Department.

A CPO patrolled 50 miles of the Ohio River doing commercial fishing enforcement. He discovered multiple hoop nets and gill nets untagged and is continuing to do surveillance. One gill net contained moribund Shovelnose sturgeon. The CPO cited a Kentucky commercial fisherman for illegal setting of a hoop net within the lock walls of Lock and Dam 52.

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June 12, 2013

REGION I

A CPO conducted recreational boat details along the Illinois River from Starved Rock State Park to Marseilles Lock and Dam in an attempt to reduce boating accidents focusing on personal flotation device, lanyard wear, OUI, careless and reckless operation boating violations.

A CPO conducted sport fishing checks along Illinois River in Putnam County citing two individuals for sport fishing without a valid sport fishing license.

A CPO conducted park enforcement at Starved Rock State Park citing one individual for possessing alcohol in a posted no alcohol area and another for fishing in a nature preserve.

An intoxicated woman from Algonquin and an inebriated man from La Grange Park were cited after officers discovered them rolling around in the grass late, playing loud music at night at Lake Le Aqua Na State Park. The subsequent discovery of boxed wine resulted in citations.

A confused driver from Carpentersville kept incorrectly signaling and stopping in the roadway at White Pines State Park. His lack of insurance and driving violations resulted in a mandatory court appearance citations.

A District 1 CPO went on a boat patrol with Lake Carroll Security on Lake Carroll. Several boat safety inspections were completed. Equipment violations were addressed.

A CPO patrolled Lake Bracken in Knox County. A safety equipment check of a pontoon boat found the operator did not have the proper sized life jackets for the persons on board. He also had failed to transfer the registration into his name upon purchase. He was issued written warnings for the violations.

A CPO patrolled Lake McMaster at Snakeden Hollow State Fish and Wildlife Area. Numerous boats were checked for safety equipment and registration. Citations were issued for failure to transfer certificate of number and failure to immediately return short fish to the water (Undersized Walleye). Written Warnings were issued for failure to display valid registration expiration decals, battery terminals not shielded, failure to immediately release short fish.

While checking fisherman along the Rock River in Winnebago County, a CPO observed three personal watercrafts violating the posted No Wake Zone near the boat ramp. Also observed were

two operators splashing each other using their PWC's (personal water crafts). The CPO hailed in all three vessels, explained to the individuals the No Wake and Careless Operation violations observed then completed a safety inspection to each watercraft. The inspections revealed each PWC did not have a serviceable fire extinguisher; one had none, one of the vessels did not have a sounding device, and one of the watercraft operators, who was 16 years old, did not have a boat safety certificate required for solo motorboat operation.

While on foot patrol in Franklin Creek State Park, a District 1 CPO observed six subjects sitting around a picnic table along one of the trails. As the CPO approached, one of the subjects began hiding something in her lap. The CPO asked the subject to stand up and asked what she was hiding. The subject retrieved a glass pipe from her pants and a bag of cannabis from her bra. The subject was arrested and charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and cannabis.

While checking fishermen at the Oregon Dam, a District 1 CPO discovered a subject to be in possession of a smallmouth bass during closed season. The fisherman was cited and the fish was able to be released back to the water.

While conducting boat safety compliance checks in Jo Daviess County a District 1 CPO issued citations to two individuals for operation of watercraft with insufficient number of personal flotation devices. Warnings were issued for improper display of registration, failure to display valid registration decal, unsecured storage battery, operation of a motorboat without a horn/whistle and operation of a motorboat without an engine lanyard cut off.

A District 6 Officer is investigating a break- in at the Illini State Park concession stand. Unknown individuals broke in through a side window. The investigation is ongoing.

REGION II

A CPO arrested a subject with a short largemouth bass while patrolling Des Plaines CA.

A CPO arrested two subjects for possession of cannabis while patrolling Kankakee River SP.

A CPO investigated a boating accident that occurred on the Kankakee River. A subject jumped out of a moving boat that was travelling at a speed of 20-30 mph and he struck his foot on a submerged object requiring hospitalization.

A CPO found a subject at the Chain O' Lakes boat ramp in possession of a 12 inch largemouth bass, where a 14 inch minimum applies. The subject had an outstanding warrant from Pulaski County and was transported to Lake County Jail in Waukegan where he received his citation for the undersized fish.

CPOs were on boat patrol at Grass Lake Bridge around 9:30 p.m. after the thunderstorm. They stopped a boat for an equipment check. The operator failed field sobriety tests and was arrested for OUI. He refused BAC tests.

On June 4th, a 54 year old male subject was fishing on the Fox River at the Algonquin Dam. During a license check, the subject was found to be in possession of two smallmouth

bass. While conducting a conversation with the subject, a strong odor of cannabis was detected. The subject was brought back to the squad car where the odor was confirmed. When asked, the subject handed over a pipe with cannabis. The subject was arrested for possession of smallmouth during the closed season and for possession of drug paraphernalia.

As a District 2 CPO was checking fishermen at the Chain O' Lakes State Park he observed a small largemouth bass in fish basket belonging to a father and young daughter. The CPO measured the fish at 5", explained the regulations to them, and then released the unharmed fish back into the water. The father was issued a written warning.

A District 4 officer was working with a District 2 CPO on the Chain O' Lakes when she arrested her first subject for operating a watercraft while under the influence of alcohol. The subject had a BAC of 0.120%.

A CPO issued a citation for unlawfully taking walleye in 18"-24" protected slot.

REGION III

No activity reported.

REGION IV

No activity reported.

REGION V

A CPO reports the disposition of a Jefferson County waterfowl case involving three subjects. On 12/31/12, three subjects killed 54 ducks on a private pond and left them to waste. All three hunters pleaded guilty to taking over the daily limit and wanton waste of ducks. Each hunter paid a \$2,000.00 fine.

A CPO inspected a Jefferson County taxidermist and noted the following violations: expired taxidermy license, failure to maintain a log book, untagged specimens, and failure to have tags for specimens. Appropriate enforcement action was taken.

A CPO made an OUI arrest during a boat patrol on Rend Lake. CPOs observed a boat after sunset headed in to the South Marcum Boat Launch without bow lights. During a safety check of the boat, it was discovered the operator had purchased the boat in 2012 and had not transferred the registration. In addition, the operator appeared under the influence of alcohol. Field sobriety was conducted and the operator was placed under arrest for OUI. A breath test was requested indicating a BAC of 0.195%. The operator was transported to Franklin County Jail and issued several citations.

A CPO arrested an intoxicated boater on Rend Lake while on boat patrol with another CPO. The operator registered 0.21%, well over the 0.08% legal limit.

CPOs patrolled Centralia Lake in Marion County. Citations were issued for possession of short bass and possession of drug paraphernalia.

A CPO investigated a property damage boat accident at East Fork Lake. A subject was towing a boat back to the dock when an approaching boat struck them. A passenger in the boat being towed jumped out of the boat just before being struck. The operator of the striking vessel was issued a citation for careless operation.

A CPO and Sgt patrolled the Wabash River near Mt. Carmel and Vincennes. Multiple warnings were issued for boating equipment.

CPOs conducted boat patrol on Lake of Egypt in Williamson and Johnson Counties. Several violations were found.

CPOs came across an elderly man attempting to swim to a shoe floating about 50 yards from a personal watercraft. The man appeared to be struggling in the water even though he was wearing a life jacket. A young boy was sitting on the personal watercraft. The grandfather of the boy told the CPOs that he had hit a large wake and was thrown off the Sea Doo. The CPOs retrieved his shoe and transported the man back to his grandson and Sea Doo. The man was extremely exhausted and eventually caught his breath and was able to go back to his residence.

A CPO assisted Free Again, wildlife rehabilitators, in capturing an injured juvenile Bald Eagle at Kinkaid Lake spillway. The eagle was transported to their facility and the USFWS was notified.

A CPO patrolled 40 miles of the Ohio River and Mississippi River conducting surveillance on commercial gear. High water conditions led hampered commercial fishing activity.

A CPO conducted a timber truck inspection in Pulaski County noting several log sheet violations.

A CPO received information of an individual capturing young Canada geese in Massac County and selling them. The investigation is pending.

A District Sergeant assisted the Grand Tower Levee District when a 60 inch lock failed allowing water to run from the Big Muddy River onto privately owned property under the levee. A round hay bale was dumped into the hole and it was sucked through without any resistance. The COE (Corps of Engineers) was notified and rip rap was dumped into the hole eventually slowing the leak until it was under control.

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June 19, 2013**

REGION I

What began at the boat dealership, Time on the Water, as a failure to file boat title complaints has turned into a Boat Titles and Employee Theft case. Inspections of Time on the Water records documented six boat title applications had been falsified and over \$100,000.00 had been stolen. A Granville, IL woman has been charged with felony theft (class 4 felony) by the Bureau County State's Attorney. The matter still remains under investigation by Illinois Conservation

Police and the Bureau County State's Attorney's Office. Further charges may be forthcoming from the Bureau County State's Attorney's office.

A District 6 CPO responded to a call for service in Cherry, Illinois regarding an injured Great Horned Owl. The owl was kenneled and transported to a wildlife rehabilitator in Streator, Illinois.

A District 6 CPO conducted sport fishing enforcement along Illinois River issuing five citations and making one arrest on a warrant. The suspect was transported to LaSalle County Jail for incarceration.

A District 6 officer investigated the disappearance of two young bald eagles (eaglet). As a result of the investigation, an Oglesby man is charged with two counts of illegal taking of a bird of prey and two counts of taking a protected species and retaining it alive. The man took two eaglets from a nest site between Peru and Oglesby. The nest was visible from a main road and had become very popular with the public. During a wind storm part of the nest had fallen. An officer went out to check on the eagles. As he approached the tree two adult eagles were up in the tree and he then found one eaglet on the ground. The eaglet raised both wings to try and scare him off. After consulting with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife it was decided the eaglet was in no danger and to leave it alone. A week later the officer learned that there had been two eaglets and they had been taken from the area. During the investigation it was determined the Oglesby man had captured one eaglet, taken it to his residence, returned to the area and captured the second eaglet, then took it back to his residence as well. He then contacted DNR. When he talked to an officer he did not say he had captured the eaglets. The officer advised him to leave the eaglets alone. He then called a rehabilitation center who took the eaglets. Both are alive and in the hands of rehabilitators in the Chicago area. One eaglet was healthy; the other had a minor injury which is unclear if the injury was caused by the fall from the nest or as a result of eaglet being captured. The man was arrested earlier this year in Wisconsin for harassment of protected wild animals.

Two District 6 officers responded to a call of two women posing nude in Mattheissen State Park. When they arrived the group was gone. The officers decided to patrol a canyon in nearby Starved Rock State Park. As they walked to the back of the canyon they found 6 individuals swimming in a restricted area. As the officers observed the group looking for other violations they heard one of them say "take your tops off". Two of the women proceeded to remove their swimsuit tops and pose while a male took their picture. The officers then confronted the group. They said they were doing a "dirty girl" photo shoot and admitted to being in Mattheissen State Park earlier. The officers informed them that the park is for families, not "dirty girl" photos. Enforcement action was taken.

Two District 6 officers were patrolling an area of State Park that had been recently vandalized. The two officers noticed an individual walking with a flashlight in an area after closing hours. The officers approached the individual undetected, turned on their flashlights, and identified themselves. The officers smelled the strong odor of burnt cannabis and saw the female attempt to quickly hide a hitter box into her pocket. The female was camping at a nearby

campsite. She was cited for possession of cannabis and possession of drug paraphernalia. She was fingerprinted and released.

While on patrol in White Pines State Park, a District 1 CPO observed a subject fishing in the creek without a fishing license. Once the CPO discovered that the subject had provided him with a false name, it was discovered the subject had an active warrant out of Georgia for manufacture and delivery of cannabis. The subject was issued a citation for no fishing license and arrested on the warrant. The subject was transported to the Ogle County jail where he was held for Georgia.

While on foot patrol in Franklin Creek State Park, a District 1 CPO discovered two subjects sitting at a picnic table drinking beer near a creek. The CPO approached the subjects and asked for their I.D.s. The subjects informed the CPO their I.D.s were in the car. The CPO walked back to the car with the subjects and observed their cooler was empty. When asked where their empty beer cans were located, the subjects became nervous. The CPO asked if they had thrown them in the creek. They informed the CPO they had even though there was a trash can ten yards from the picnic table they were sitting at. The CPO escorted the subjects back to the creek and had them retrieve the beer cans from the creek. After they retrieved as many as they could find, they were both issued citations for pollution of waterways.

A District 1 CPO investigated a property damage boat accident on the Rock River in Ogle County. The boat struck a submerged tree with the lower unit of the outboard portion of the motor. The lower unit was broken from the boat and flipped up causing the propeller to stick in the fiberglass transom of the boat. No injuries were received.

While checking fishermen at Franklin Creek State Park, a District 1 CPO discovered a subject fishing who didn't have her license on her. She informed the CPO that her license was located in her car. The CPO walked to the car with the subject and smelled an extremely strong odor of cannabis when she opened the car. The CPO discovered a glass pipe and a metal grinder containing cannabis in the car. The subject was arrested and transported to the Lee County Jail.

While conducting a boat safety inspection, a District 1 CPO observed the registration on the vessel she was inspecting was the example registration number from the certificate of number (IL 1234 ZZ). After completing the inspection and addressing the failure to wear lanyard cut-off, no type IV throw able P.F.D, and failure to cover battery, the CPO explained the issue with his registration. The subject explained he was confused so the officer had him obtain his certificate of number and showed him the example and his actual registration number. The CPO issued him a written warning for improper display of registration number.

The hot weather was too much for several teens from Polo and Stronghurst who trespassed into White Pines State Forest to swim in Pine Creek. Despite two deaths last year in this dangerous area, these swimmers risked their lives to cool off. Citations were issued for trespassing to the railroad and swimming in a restricted area. A mandatory court appearance is required.

While in marked uniform patrol in Rock Cut State Park in Winnebago County, a CPO observed a motor vehicle travel past with a severely cracked windshield. The driver explained during the subsequent stop that his windshield became shattered in the course of a fight between two youths

while he was parked at a local McDonalds Restaurant. The driver figured he would drive his car with the windshield in that state until he could get the restaurant chain to pay him for a new windshield. Also discovered was the fact that the license plate on the car had expired. The driver said he knew his plates were expired but figured he would just drive on expired plates until he set aside enough money to renew them.

While in marked uniform boat patrol on the Rock River in Winnebago County, a CPO observed a youth operating a PWC (personal water craft) solo without evidence of registration. An attempted stop of the PWC resulted in the youth fleeing to a nearby dock where his older brother and owner of the PWC was barbequing with friends. The subsequent boat safety inspection revealed the operator to be 16 years old and operating without a boat safety certificate required for solo operation. Also discovered was the PWC was absent a sounding device and fire extinguisher. Finally, the CPO learned from the youth that he fled upon being hailed by law enforcement because he did not know what to do when stopped on the water. After addressing the violations with the older brother, they were directed by the CPO on how to sign up for a free DNR boat safety class.

While conducting boat safety inspections at a Rockford boat ramp, a District 6 CPO encountered several subjects in a pleasure boat. During the inspection, the CPO discovered two boating equipment violations. While taking enforcement action, the CPO discovered the boat operator was wanted on warrant in Ogle County. The subject was arrested and booked at the Winnebago County jail.

REGION II

A CPO arrested one individual wanted on a warrant out of Will County who was wanted for failure to appear on DUI charges.

A CPO cited one subject for littering at Kankakee River State Park

CPOs responded to a PWC versus PWC accident on the Illinois River at mile mark 254. A 15 year old juvenile struck his uncle's PWC from the side at approximately 50 mph. The uncle sustained massive leg trauma. Investigation is currently ongoing.

A CPO while on boat patrol on the Kankakee and Des Plaines River addressed numerous boat safety violations, citing operators on three occasions for operation of a watercraft with a child under 13 years of age not wearing a PFD.

A CPO assisted an elderly couple on the Kankakee River when their canoe overturned. Numerous Fire Rescue teams showed up to assist in recovering the victims from the water. No injuries were reported.

A CPO responded to an abandoned child call in Kankakee River State Park. The CPO enjoyed chocolate chip cookies with the 4 year old girl until her family returned for her.

A CPO arrested a subject at the Chain O' Lakes State Park boat ramp for OUI. He had a BAC of .102.

A Lake County CPO found a subject in possession of an 11 inch walleye, a 10 inch largemouth bass, and a 13 ½ inch largemouth bass. There is a 14 inch minimum on both species. The subject was issued a citation and two written warnings.

A Lake County CPO received a complaint of a business selling live largemouth bass. The CPO went to the business and observed 12 largemouth bass in a tank. The owner was unaware he needed an aquatic life dealers license. He was issued a written warning and instructed how to obtain a license.

REGION III

No activity reported.

REGION IV

CPOs assisted Brown County in searching for a two year old. The father of the two year old was driving a truck when it was swept off the road by rising water on a creek. The father was attempting to get his two year old out of the truck when he was swept away. The two year old was recovered downstream in a flooded field.

A CPO assisted Rushville Police Department on an attempted armed robbery. The subject was attempting to rob the pharmacy in an attempt to obtain drugs. The subject committed suicide. The CPO assisted in securing the scene.

A CPO stopped an ATV for operating on the roadway. The operator was suspended.

A CPO stopped a motorcycle with an expired registration. The operator was suspended and did not have insurance.

A CPO attended a disabled veterans fishing tournament in Quincy.

A CPO attended a hunter safety course in Adams County.

A CPO attended a boater safety class in Adams County.

While returning from an Ohio River boat patrol, a CPO observed a vehicle in front of him run through a four way intersection where the traffic lights had malfunctioned to a flashing red stop. During the traffic stop the driver was found to be suspended and was arrested.

A CPO and a Sgt. documented several boating violations while on an Ohio River boat patrol. Illegal fishing devices were seized.

A CPO took appropriate action with an illegal hoop net found at Rend Lake.

A CPO taught the law portion of a hunter education course at the Rend Lake Visitors Center.

While on an Ohio River boat patrol, a CPO cited a man for operating a watercraft while under the influence of alcohol in Hardin County. The man registered a B.A.C. of .134%.

A CPO and a Sgt. cited four young adults for unlawfully swimming in an area not designated for swimming at the Ten Mile Creek Fish and Wildlife Area.

A CPO and a Sgt. were on a Rend Lake boat patrol. The CPO cited an operator for OUI. He registered a B.A.C's of .91%. While the CPO was transporting his OUI to the jail, the Sgt. saw a pontoon boat operating in a no wake area. When the operator saw the officer, he switched places with another man on the boat. It turns out the operator was under 21 years old. He was cited for underage consumption of alcohol by a minor. Later in the evening, the Sgt. arrested a man for OUI on Rend Lake. He registered a B.A.C. of .128%

A CPO conducted surveillance in Pulaski County based upon a TIPS complaint of unlawful take of white tail deer. The suspect is believed to have shot a young buck on June 14th. The complainant reported shots fired again on June 15th, the investigation is ongoing.

A CPO patrolled 55 miles of the Ohio River and Mississippi River. On June 14th, he discovered a tagged hoop net on the Ohio River near Olmsted dam which appeared to have been set for at least 24 hours. After continued surveillance on the net, the net was seized as evidence for failure to attend every 72 hours. The net had not been attended for at least 96 hours and 13 dead and moribund catfish were found in the net. The investigation is ongoing.

A CPO arrested a driver at the Kinkaid Spillway Area for driving while suspended. The man was cited and bonded at Jackson County.

A Sgt. assisted the Jackson County Sheriff's Department on security on a failed levee road that collapsed on the Big Muddy River.

Office of Law Enforcement
WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT
June 26, 2013

REGION I

A District 6 officer arrested an Individual for OUI at the Seneca Boat Ramp. A pontoon boat was being trailered in the west boat ramp, witnesses stated that they observed an individual in a small Seadoo water craft make a sharp turn and get thrown from his boat. The SeaDoo was lifted into the air striking an individual in the back of the head and coming to a halt in the east boat ramp facing south. Upon administering the field sobriety tests the individual was arrested for OUI.

An individual was arrested at the I & M Canal for being wanted on a warrant for failure to appear.

An individual was arrested at Starved Rock State Park for showing genitalia in a public place.

Six individuals were issued citations for climbing up the walls at Tonti Canyon.

While patrolling near New Boston, a CPO located a watercraft coming in to one of the Mississippi River boat launches. Approaching the watercraft for a safety inspection, a strong odor of alcohol was coming from the operator. He was later arrested for OUI.

Receiving information about an illegally set hoop net, a CPO responded to the area in question. The hoop net had not been checked in over a week and contained several dead catfish and snapping turtles. The owner of the hoop net was cited and the net was seized.

What began at the boat dealership, Time on the Water, as a failure to file boat title complaint has turned into of boat titles and employee theft case. Inspections of Time on the Water records by a CPO documented six boat title applications had been falsified and over \$100,000.00 had been stolen. A Granville, IL woman has been charged with felony theft (Class 4 felony) by the Bureau County State's Attorney. The matter still remains under investigation by Illinois Conservation Police and the Bureau County State's Attorney's Office. Further charges may be forthcoming from the Bureau County State's Attorney's office.

A CPO patrolled Lake McMaster at Snakeden Hollow State Fish and Wildlife Area. Of the dozen boats checked, a few violations were observed. Two boat operators were issued written warnings for personal flotation device violations. One warning was issued for a wake violation. A written warning was also issued for overloading a motorboat.

A CPO gave presentations at Hunter Safety Education classes in Tazewell and Knox Counties.

A CPO responded to a silent alarm at the Bank of Yates City with Knox County Deputies. After determining it was a false alarm, a meeting was held with the bank safety officer.

While in marked uniform patrol on the Rock River in Winnebago County, a CPO observed a motorboat approaching without valid registration displayed on the bow. Also observed was the front seat passenger was sitting on the top of the seatback. The safety inspection revealed additional violations of failure to cover and secure battery and insufficient number of pfd's.

A CPO attended a National Wild Turkey Federation "Junior Jakes" educational event using the Conservation Police Association Educational trailer. Over 100 youths were in attendance and participated in several instructional activities encouraging recreational outdoor endeavors.

While in marked uniform boat patrol on the Rock River in Winnebago County, a CPO observed two adults operating PWC's approaching; one of which had expired registration displayed. The stop and subsequent boat safety inspection of the two watercraft revealed neither operator was in possession of a required sounding device and one of the operators did not have a fire extinguisher in serviceable condition.

While checking boats at Sunset Park, a CPO observed a boat coming in to the launch. Looking at the operator through his binoculars, the CPO watched the operator finish off a beer. The subject was later arrested for OUI.

While patrolling Sunset Park, a CPO saw a subject rolling a cigarette. As he Approached the

subject, the subject tried to hide the cigarette. The CPO arrested the subject for possession of cannabis and drug paraphernalia.

While conducting boat safety compliance checks a District 1 CPO informed paddleboard, kayak and canoe users that starting July 1st a water usage stamp is required for their watercrafts.

A District 1 CPO assisted in the search and recovery of a Summit man who went missing in the Rock River at Prophetstown State Park. Witnesses observed the subject wading in the river and then go under. IDNR Conservation Police and several other fire and law enforcement agencies searched into the night using side scan sonars and other proven methods. The search will resume in the morning.

A District 1 CPO issued a citation to a Chicago man for possessing an undersized smallmouth bass on the Rock River in Whiteside County. The bass was released back to the waters.

A District 1 CPO was conducting sport fishing compliance checks along the Rock River in Rock Falls. While a check was being conducted, the CPO noticed a fisherman look at him from upstream and then hastily pack up and take off in his car. The CPO finished his check and then made a traffic stop on the fisherman a few blocks away. The fisherman was a resident of Iowa who did not possess a fishing license. A citation was issued.

A District 6 CPO patrolled Illini State Park campgrounds making one arrest for possession of alcohol in Great Falls Campground.

A District 6 CPO conducted sport fishing enforcement and boating enforcement at LaSalle Lake issuing a citation for no safety lanyard on boat equipped with safety cutoff switch.

REGION II

A CPO while on boat patrol on the Kankakee and Des Plaines River addressed numerous boat safety violations citing operators on three occasions for operation of a watercraft with a child under 13 years of age not wearing a PFD.

A CPO assisted an elderly couple on the Kankakee River when their canoe overturned. Numerous fire rescue teams showed up to assist in recovering the victims from the water. No injuries were reported.

A CPO responded to an abandoned child call in Kankakee River State Park. The CPO enjoyed chocolate chip cookies with the 4 year old girl until her family returned for her.

A CPO arrested a subject at the Chain O' Lakes State Park boat ramp for OUI. He had a BAC of .102.

A Lake County CPO found a subject in possession of an 11 inch walleye, a 10 inch largemouth bass, and a 13 ½ inch largemouth bass. There is a 14 inch minimum on both species. The subject was issued a citation and 2 written warnings.

A Lake County CPO received a complaint of a business selling live largemouth bass. The CPO went to the business and observed 12 largemouth bass in a tank. The owner was unaware he needed an aquatic life dealers license. He was issued a written warning and instructed how to obtain a license.

REGION III

A CPO was contacted by Moultrie County Sheriff's Office of a stranded boater on Lake Shelbyville. The CPO located a Coles County man operating a bass boat by trolling motor. The subject was arrested for operating a watercraft under the influence of alcohol with a .113 BAC.

CPOs arrested a subject at Mill Creek Park for possession of cannabis and possession of drug paraphernalia.

A Sgt while working with a Decatur Police officer during an enforcement detail stopped a Decatur man for failure to signal turn. The man did not have a valid driver's license and was in possession of not more than 2.5 grams cannabis and drug paraphernalia.

A District 19 CPO made an arrest of three male subjects for snagging fish below the spillway on Lake Decatur.

A District 19 CPO made an arrest of a female subject for minor possession/consumption of alcoholic beverages. The arrest occurred while the CPO was on a boat patrol on Clinton Lake. Two District 19 CPOs, acting on a complaint, wrote citations to a Decatur subject at Lake Decatur spillway for possessing over limit of walleyes and unlawful methods to take walleye (hand held net).

A District 19 CPO made an arrest of an Urbana subject for speeding and driving with no valid license in Mascoutin SRA.

A District 19 CPO initiated a T-stop on a vehicle for no rear registration plate light near Clinton Lake. The vehicle was occupied by two 19 year old females. Both young ladies were arrested for minor possession/consumption of alcoholic beverages. Additionally, the driver was cited for no rear registration plate light and zero tolerance DUI. The passenger was issued a citation for littering from a motor vehicle. She threw a 12 pack box containing alcoholic beverages out of the passenger side window immediately prior to the stop.

REGION IV

No activity reported.

REGION V

A boat operator was circling in his own wake in a 12' Jon boat west of the launch ramp on Glenn O'Jones Lake at the Saline County Conservation Area while waiting on another boat to be trailered. A wave upset the boat ejecting both the operator and passenger into the water without lifejackets. The 9.9 HP outboard motor was not equipped with a lanyard cutoff switch and the

boat circled striking the operator and passenger. Another boater towed them to shore where EMS personnel transported them to a local hospital. A CPO is investigating the boat accident.

A boater at Rend Lake fell out of his boat during inclement weather and was rescued by the operator of a personal watercraft. The motor on the boat was equipped with an emergency cut-off switch for the engine. The lanyard cut-off device was not attached to the operator and the boat continued underway into the rock lined shore of Rend Lake Dam Road. A CPO cited the operator of the watercraft for operation of a watercraft without using the lanyard cut-off switch. The boat was recovered and returned to the owner.

CPOs retrieved stranded boaters from the north end of Rend Lake during inclement weather.

A CPO arrested a subject for DUI after driving a UTV in front of the officer's house. The subject blew .14.

A CPO and a Sgt attended a detail meeting in Effingham County to discuss the upcoming Lake Sara Fireworks.

A CPO is investigating damage that was done to the Tunnel Hill Trail picnic facility at Stone Fort.

A CPO charged a fisherman who was in possession of two largemouth bass under the legal length limit.

A CPO was working the Tunnel Hill Trail for ATV use when he came upon two subjects riding their ATV's on the road near the trail. Both were cited.

A Sgt. and CPO trained with the McCracken County, KY Sheriff's Office on sonar and recovery.

Two CPOs were issued sonar units and received some basic operation training on the side scan units.