

Office of Law Enforcement
WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT
June 4, 2014

REGION I

A CPO worked in marked uniform patrol in Rock Cut State Park in Winnebago County when he was hailed by citizens regarding a man who struck a woman across the face twice; once with a PFD (personal flotation device) and once with an open hand. The investigation confirmed a domestic battery violation had occurred and the male suspect was also discovered to be a child sex offender prohibited from being in a public park.

Two District 6 CPOs discovered four individuals in a restricted area of Starved Rock. Further investigation revealed two cannabis pipes and two baggies of cannabis. Enforcement action was taken.

A District 6 CPO responded to a fall at Wildcat Canyon involving an 8 year old girl. The young girl slipped and hit her head on a rock. EMS responded and treated the girl on scene. She was transported to Ottawa Regional Hospital for a CT scan as a precautionary measure.

CPOs received a complaint from Princeton Police Department in reference to a man who had chased down two Canada goose goslings and beat them with a stick, killing them. The Princeton Police Department Officer got a statement from a witness and an omission from the suspect. They contacted IDNR Law Enforcement. The subject was re-interviewed during which time he admitted to killing the gosling. Numerous citations and warnings were issued to the subject.

A District 6 Officer was on a foot patrol at Starved Rock State Park and arrested five individuals for unlawful possession of alcohol in a posted restricted area.

A District 6 Officer arrested five individuals for unlawful possession of cannabis and five individuals for unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia.

A District 6 Officer arrested fourteen individuals for fishing with no valid fishing license.

A District 6 Officer arrested one individual for illegal consumption of alcohol by a minor.

A District 6 Officer arrested seven individuals for unlawful entry to a restricted area.

A District 6 Officer arrested one individual wanted on a warrant and for pollution of a water way.

A District 7 Officer patrolled the Illinois River focusing on recreational boat enforcement. Four citations and eighteen written warnings were issued.

District 1 CPOs attended side scan sonar training in Comanche, IA. Along with Illinois CPOs, Iowa CPOs and several local fire and rescue personnel were present for both the classroom and on-the-water training.

A District 1 CPO observed two kayakers on Smallpox Creek in Jo Daviess County. Boat registration and safety compliance checks were conducted. The two kayakers were found to be using non-powered watercraft without a water usage stamp. Citations were issued.

A CPO from Henderson County encountered three individuals fishing at a closed lake in Gladstone. Appropriate enforcement action was taken and eleven channel catfish were returned to the water.

A suspicious fire along the Illinois and Michigan Canal led officers to the area to investigate the scene. A Conservation Officer observed three males in their early twenties smoking marijuana. Conservation Police Officers also located two more individuals. All five had illegally trespassed onto railroad property. The group was issued written warnings for trespassing and three males were issued citations for possession of cannabis. It was determined that the five individuals arrived after the fire department was already on scene.

A District 1 CPO stopped a Freeport man for failure to stop at a stop sign. It was discovered the man was wanted on two warrants out of Stephenson County, he was driving without a valid driver's license, and he was in possession of drug paraphernalia.

A District 6 CPO spent 16 hrs focusing on fish enforcement in the downtown Rockford area. Three citations and eight written warnings were issued. One citation was for falsification of records, a Class A misdemeanor. The goal of these enforcement details is to protect our state fisheries and to ensure common fishing areas are kept safe.

While on patrol in Prophetstown State Park, a District 1 CPO and CPOT observed a boat come to shore with fish. The CPOs approached the boat to conduct a compliance check. During the check, it was discovered the operator did not have any wearable PFDs on board. The operator was issued a citation for the violation.

While on patrol in White Pines State Park, a District 1 CPO and CPOT observed a campsite with three subjects possessing alcohol in a restricted area. As the CPOs approached the subjects to address the alcohol violation, one of the subjects concealed an item in his pants pocket. The CPOs then observed a cannabis pipe in the cup holder of his chair. Further investigation led to the discovery of 9.5 grams of cannabis, two cannabis pipes, and two metal grinders containing cannabis. One subject was charged with possession of less than 2.5 grams of cannabis and a second was charged with possession of 2.5-10 grams cannabis and possession of drug paraphernalia. All three subjects received citations for possession of alcohol in a restricted area.

A District 1 CPO and CPOT are investigating an abandoned boat which was located on the Rock River near Byron.

While checking anglers in Rockford District 6 CPOs located an angler fishing with a casting net along a small stream. While observing the angler, the CPOs observed the fisherman catch a fish, believed to be a smallmouth bass, which was then given to a young child who was accompanying the angler. Once the CPOs approached the angler, they discovered a second angler who was not visible to the CPOs initially. The second angler was holding a cast net along the stream and admitted to catching one fish. Additionally, there was a five gallon bucket containing two smallmouth bass and two suckers. The smallmouth bass season was closed at this time of year, requiring anglers to immediately release all smallmouth bass caught. Neither angler possessed a valid 2014 fishing license. Charges against the anglers were as follows: Angler one: fishing without a valid sport fishing license, unlawful taking of smallmouth bass by illegal methods and unlawful taking of smallmouth bass during the closed season. Angler two: failure to possess a sport fishing license while fishing and unlawful taking of fish by illegal methods.

REGION II

No activity reported.

REGION III

A District 11 officer encountered a Champaign man on Lake Shelbyville with 10 Crappie over the daily limit, as well as a 12" Largemouth bass where the size limit is 14". Appropriate enforcement action was taken.

Two District 11 officers arrested a Decatur man on Lake Shelbyville for OUI.

Two Dist 11 officers arrested four individuals from the Effingham area in Wolf Creek State Park for consumption of alcohol by a minor and illegal transportation of open alcohol in a motor vehicle.

Two District 11 officers, while on boat patrol on Lake Shelbyville, towed a pontoon boat and occupants into a local marina after it had ran out of gas.

A District 11 CPO arrested a Brocton male for driving while revoked. The CPO wrote citations to the same subject for boating violations. The male subject was told not to drive on the first contact. A citation was issued and Article 36 seizure initiated on the Jeep, trailer and Alumacraft boat.

CPOs spoke to local school children with the Wildlife Education at Conservation Field Days in Moultrie and Shelby Counties.

A District 19 CPO made an arrest of two male subjects on Lake Decatur. During a boat safety inspection of the watercraft they were on, the two subjects admitted to drinking alcohol while being under the age of 21. Both were issued citations for possession/consumption of alcohol by a minor.

Two District 19 CPOs attended a three day Aquatic Death/Homicide Investigation class in Joliet.

District 19 CPOs were notified of an incident that occurred within the Mascoutin State Recreational Area over the weekend where a 2 year old girl accidentally fell into a camp fire. She suffered severe burns and was taken to the hospital for treatment.

Two District 19 CPOs working Clinton Lake observed several boat violations over the weekend. Proper enforcement action was taken.

Two District 19 CPOs working Clinton Lake were doing a boat inspection when they located marijuana and drug paraphernalia inside the boat. A Farmer city man and his girlfriend were arrested for the marijuana and paraphernalia.

Two District 19 CPOs working the shoreline of Lake Decatur were walking past two fishermen when they smelled marijuana. When they approached the subjects, the subjects stated that it was just fake weed. Upon further investigation, the subjects admitted it was weed and a King Cobra alcoholic beverage was also found in their possession. Both subjects were under 21. Proper enforcement action was taken.

Two District 19 CPOs were checking subjects on a boat near the North Fork section of Clinton Lake. The subjects were found to be cat fishing. One subject was found to not to have a fishing license. The subject was issued a citation.

District 19 CPOs are investigating a boat accident that occurred on Clinton Lake where the boat caught on fire. The reason for the fire is still unknown but no injuries were reported and the boat was considered a total loss.

While conducting boat patrol on Clinton Lake, CPOs stopped a watercraft that was displaying a 2010 registration. As CPOs approached the boat, the operator was observed making a furtive movement. After completing the boat safety inspection, CPOs gained consent to search the watercraft. Drug paraphernalia and two, clear, plastic bags containing L/T 2.5g cannabis were discovered in the search. The operator was arrested for (1) unlawful operation of an unnumbered watercraft; (2) unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; and (3) unlawful possession of less than 2.5 gr cannabis. A female passenger was arrested for unlawful possession of less than 2.5 gr cannabis. The 21 year old operator had previously been arrested on Clinton Lake for similar charges including OUI - CANNABIS.

CPOs were dispatched to the Clinton Lake Weldon Access Area for a boat fire. Upon arrival, a watercraft was observed fully engulfed in flames, beached on the north shore of Clinton Lake - directly across from the Weldon Access. The initial investigation determined the 1987 Stratos pleasure craft was recently purchased by a family from Seymour, IL and it was their first trip out on the boat. Luckily, the father took a test drive prior to allowing the family to get on board. As the man headed out on the lake, he noticed white smoke coming from the stern engine compartment. He opened the compartment and realized his engine was on fire. The operator, with assistance from other boats, unsuccessfully attempted to put the fire out. The man abandoned the boat and was given a ride to shore. CPOs were assisted on-scene by the DeWitt County Sheriff's Department, Weldon Fire & EMS, Clinton Lake Marina, Clinton Lake SRA

Staff, and Reynolds Tow Service. The cause of the fire is unknown.

CPOs were dispatched to a fight in progress at the Clinton Lake Beach. The parties were separated prior to the arrival of Law Enforcement. According to three uninvolved, independent witnesses, a 16 year old juvenile repeatedly punched a 14 year old juvenile in the head after two groups of juveniles engaged in a verbal dispute. Custodial parents for both juveniles in the altercation were contacted. The 14 year old juvenile sustained injuries but refused medical treatment from the Clinton Ambulance Service. A field report was submitted to the DeWitt County State's Attorney's Office for determination of charges.

CPOs were dispatched to the Clinton Lake Weldon Access for a reported theft. The initial investigation determined that sometime between noon and 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 01, 2014, an unknown number of fishing poles were stolen from a locked pick-up truck that was parked in the Weldon Access Area parking lot. According to the complainant, entry was gained to the truck via a rear sliding glass window that was left unlocked, but fastened with a rubber band to secure closure. The victim agreed to provide CPOs with an inventory and approximate value of the stolen items. Further investigation is pending.

REGION IV

Brown County CPO seized six hoop nets on the Illinois River when he discovered they were not tagged.

A Jersey County CPO ran the registration of a vehicle at Pere Marquette State Park and determined the registration was suspended for a mandatory insurance violation. Additionally, the registered owner was suspended. The driver was arrested and transported to the Jersey County Sheriff's Department.

A Jersey County CPO inspected a PWC (personal water craft) being operated in Piasa Creek. After observing indicators of impairment, field sobriety tests were conducted and the operator was arrested for OUI. He had a BAC of .19.

A Jersey County and Calhoun County CPO were on a boat patrol of the Mississippi River. After stopping a boat for improper display of registration, the operator showed signs of impairment. Field sobriety tests were conducted and the operator was arrested for OUI. He refused chemical testing.

A Jersey County CPO was passed by a vehicle traveling 69 mph in a 55 mph zone. After passing the CPO, the vehicle crossed onto the shoulder nearly running off the road. After stopping the vehicle, the CPO observed indicators of impairment on the driver. When questioned, the driver denied consuming alcohol. Field sobriety tests were conducted and the subject was arrested for DUI. A search of the vehicle revealed several empty beer cans, a drug pipe with cannabis residue and a needle. The driver was transported to the Jersey County Sheriff's Department and later refused chemical testing. He was charged with drug possession, DUI, speeding and improper lane usage. Two passengers were also cited for illegal transportation of open alcohol.

A Jersey County CPO observed the driver of a corvette enter the parking area and start spinning

doughnuts. The CPO stopped the corvette on Route 100. The driver was determined to be DUI. He was arrested and transported to the Jersey County Sheriff's Department. He had a BAC of .087%. He was also arrested for DUI in 2009.

A District 13 Officer received a complaint of possible underage alcohol consumption on Carlyle Lake. The officer observed a boat approaching a boat ramp that had two males dancing on the bow of the boat while they were underway. The officer made contact with the boat at the ramp and determined the boat was operated by an underage male and was possible under the influence of alcohol. After administering field sobriety tests the officer determined the operator was under the influence and arrested him for OUI. The operator had a BAC of .123. The boat operator was also cited for numerous other boat safety violations.

A District 13 Officer was patrolling Carlyle Lake boat ramps when he observed a watercraft with no bow lights after sunset. As the watercraft approached, the operator switched places with a passenger. The watercraft also had expired registration. After administering field sobriety tests the officer determined the operator was under the influence and arrested him for OUI. The operator had a BAC of .158

A District 13 Officer was checking fishermen at Litchfield Lake when he arrested two subjects for possession of cannabis and drug paraphernalia.

REGION V

A CPO taught the law portion of a bow hunter safety class in Mt. Vernon.

During a pet/aquarium swap meet held at Wayne Fitzgerald State Park, a CPO found crawfish taken from the wild and offered for sale or trade. Appropriate action was taken.

The District 14 Sergeant located a watercraft from a previous incident on Rend Lake. A CPO who is field training a new CPO was called to the boat ramp. The operator of the watercraft was arrested for OUI and BAC over .08%. He registered .157% almost twice the legal amount. He was also issued four additional boating citations and five written warnings.

CPOs issued life jacket citations to boaters on Rend Lake and cited fishermen for fishing without a license.

A District Sergeant, Lawrence County CPO and CPO trainee patrolled the Wabash River and encountered an intoxicated boat operator near Mt. Carmel. The subject provided a breath sample which indicated a BAC of .14. The under-age passenger was also cited for illegal consumption of alcohol.

A Richland County CPO cited a subject over the limit of crappie at East Fork Lake. The limit is 25.

An Effingham County CPO and Marion County CPO patrolled Forbes State Park and issued multiple citations for possessing alcohol in a restricted area

District 16 CPOs attended OUI/DUI SFT refresher and a DT quarterly update training at Mines & Minerals in Benton.

Four OUI patrols were scheduled on Lake of Egypt, Crab Orchard and Kinkaid Lake this weekend, however, heavy rains and thunderstorms hampered the boating activity and enforcement efforts.

A CPO arrested a Johnson County man, a convicted sexual offender, for being at a Massac County State Park.

A CPO responded to two separate nuisance animal calls in Union County. The animals were taken to a local rehab facility.

A CPO came across a Kentucky boat on the south east end of Lake of Egypt. The owner had three young boys on board and they were broke down with engine trouble. The CPO towed the boat with its occupants to the North West end of the lake where they had launched from. They were grateful for the assistance since it was almost dark and they had no cell service. A Sergeant responded to two separate injured Bald Eagle calls in Jackson County. After repeated attempts to catch the Eagles, both flew off without any visible sign of injuries.

A CPO instructed Region 4 officers on an OUI field sobriety testing refresher in Alton.

A CPO instructed Region 5 officers on the OUI field sobriety testing refresher in Benton.

A CPO came upon a subject sleeping on a bench on the Tunnel Hill Trail near Parker City. The subject had a backpack with him and the CPO noticed an empty beer can on the ground and a small garden digging tool. When awakened and questioned, the subject admitted to digging bloodroot along the Trail and on private property. The backpack contained about 4 lbs of the root. The subject was cited, the bloodroot seized and returned to a park employee to attempt to replant the roots.

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WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT
June 11, 2014**

REGION I

A District 6 CPO responded to a boat accident at Lake Holiday. The operator and passenger were pulling a tube with four girls that struck a boat lift and boat. All four girls were taken to various hospitals and treated for the injuries sustained in the accident. The operator blew .149 at the local police department and was charged with OUI and careless operation of a watercraft.

A black bear has been spotted in numerous locations in Northwestern Illinois. Several pictures have generated public interest on this issue. CPOs have been educating the public on this topic.

The public was advised to not be alarmed if they encounter the bear and that CPOs are not going to disturb the bear or track it unless the bear becomes aggressive.

A Cedarville woman was out checking cattle when she discovered a dead juvenile bald eagle. She called the TIPS line and reported the find. Officers are working with USFWS to discover how the bird died.

A Franklin Grove teenage couple were driving through the park with no seatbelt when officers stopped them to discover an odor of burnt cannabis. The driver stated he enjoyed smoking cannabis and it had been at least five hours since he had smoked last. Officers discovered several drug pipes, paraphernalia and cannabis. The couple was processed at Lee County Jail.

While conducting boat safety inspections, a District 1 CPO cited a Winnebago man for failure to have his nine year old wearing a lifejacket. He was issued warnings for not wearing his lanyard for his engine cut-off and for improper display of valid registration number.

A District 6 Officer received a complaint from a local police agency of a deer in a pen. The officer went to the residence and found the home owner in the pen feeding the deer. The deer was in with chickens, ducks, and rabbits, and appeared to be a year old. The owner originally lied about getting the animal from a deer breeder. He finally admitted to finding the deer in the wild when it was one or two months old and taking it home. The owner was issued four citations for illegally taking the deer and retaining it alive. The deer ended up dying from a poultry disease.

A CPO from District 7 conducted two boat patrols with District 1 officers on the Mississippi River. Numerous boats were checked and multiple violations were documented. The detail was impacted by negative weather on Saturday and Sunday.

A CPO completed his part of the investigation into the fatal boat accident occurring at Mississippi River Dam # 14. As a boat owner and operator it is your responsibility to ensure you have enough properly sized and serviceable PFD's on-board your boat for each person. These PFD's must be clearly marked with the USCG approval stamp. As the disabled boat headed toward the Dam (in near flood conditions), the subject took off a good PFD he had on and made his wife put it on. The only PFD left for him to use was an old unserviceable PFD. This PFD was from the 1980's (by the boat owner's admission). It did not have a size marked on it. It had faded material and appeared dry rotted. It appeared to never have had the USCG approval stamp on it. It was a vest style PFD that zipped in front and had strings holding the front and back of the PFD together. This PFD was recovered without the subject in it. The zipper was still zipped up, but the zipper was torn completely away from one side of the PFD. A shoe string on one side holding the front and back of the PFD together was missing. The subject was the only person of five people who died going through Dam # 14. All other persons had on proper sized, serviceable and USCG approved PFD's, and they survived the event. The boat owner/operator was issued a citation for the PFD violation and written warnings for other boating violations.

Even though it was free fishing weekend June 6-9th the complaints from avid fishermen kept coming in. A CPO was called out prior to his scheduled shift to handle complaints at the Steel

Dam in Milan. Ethical fishermen complained of people keeping smallmouth bass. Small mouth bass must be returned to the water in the Rock River (and others) between April 1st and June 15. The CPO was called out prior to his shift to handle complaints of untagged bank poles along the Rock River upstream from the Cleveland boat launch in Henry County. Multiple bank poles and a trot lines were seized and seizure tags left. These illegal devices were not tagged with the owners name and address as required.

CPOs patrolled Mississippi River Pool # 16 with the Whaler Patrol Boat. Boating traffic was light due to the cool weather. Several written warnings were issued to boaters for minor violations.

A District 1 CPO arrested two Sterling men for unlawfully dumping several bags of household trash onto private property in the rural Coleta area.

A District 1 CPO took appropriate enforcement action on a Coleta man for taking a fawn out of the wild and into captivity. The fawn was taken back to where it was found and placed back as its mother was still in the area.

A District 1 CPO conducted a boat patrol on the lower Rock River in Whiteside County during the Cabela's King Catfish tournament. Written warnings and citations were issued during the day long boat patrol for various boating violations.

A District 1 CPO gave a presentation to local Cub Scouts at Morrison Rockwood State Park on water safety while fishing, boating, swimming and camping.

While on a midnight boat patrol on the Rock River, a CPOT and CPO located a watercraft operating without proper lighting. Stopping the watercraft, the operator was found to have none of the required safety equipment on board his watercraft. The subject received two citations and several warning for his violations.

While patrolling Hennepin Canal State Park, CPOT and CPO located three subjects in possession of cannabis and drug paraphernalia. All of the subjects were bonded for their violations.

A District 1 CPO and a CPOT patrolled the Hennepin Canal in Colona during the Free Fishing Days. During a compliance check one fisherman was found to have an outstanding warrant. The man was arrested and taken to jail.

REGION II

A District 2 CPO received a call from park personnel of a subject using a dip net at the base of the McHenry Dam on the Fox River. The CPO arrived and cited the subject.

A District 2 CPO brought the Wildlife Education trailer to St. Mary's School in Mundelein. 112 children enjoyed the display and asked questions.

A District 2 CPO cited a subject on Channel Lake for possession of a 12 inch largemouth bass. There is a 14 inch minimum legal size limit. He was also issued a written warning for no fishing license.

A District 2 CPO arrested a 19 year old subject for possession of less than 2.5 grams of cannabis and drug paraphernalia. Loud music and shouting drew the attention of the CPO initially. The odor of burnt cannabis was obvious, along with several beer cans. A second subject was cited for possession of alcohol in the campgrounds at Chain O' Lakes State Park.

A District 2 CPO cited a subject on the Fox River for possession of a 9 inch largemouth bass. There is a 14 inch minimum legal size limit. The subject complained about the \$120 fine as he stood in front of his brand new Cadillac.

REGION III

A CPO investigated a dumping complaint in Clark County. A Westfield man was cited for: dumping demolition materials in a waterway, dumping of waste, dumping along or upon a public highway and open burning of refuse. The charges stemmed from the man tearing down an old house trailer and not wanting to pay to properly dispose of the materials.

A CPO cited a Chicago Heights man at Lake Mattoon for failure to immediately release short Largemouth Bass.

A CPO cited an Urbana man at Lake Mattoon for failure to immediately release two short Largemouth Bass.

A CPO cited a Clark County male for failure to have a competent observer while water skiing at Mill Creek Lake.

A District 11 Officer encountered a group out of Coles County fishing at Lake Mattoon. One man was cited for possession of a short walleye. Another man was arrested for violating an Order of Protection.

A Teutopolis subject stopped for speeding and not using turn signal in Wolf Creek State Park. The CPO observed a strong smell of alcohol coming from inside the vehicle. The driver and three passengers attempted to hide open beer cans under the seats. All four subjects were underage and were in possession of a large amount of alcohol. Parents were contacted and citations were issued.

A family of four from Assumption were towed to Lithia Springs after their boat motor broke down.

While on patrol in Mascoutin SRA, a District 19 CPO conducted a traffic stop on a gold, 2002 Pontiac Grand Am with no rear registration plate light. The 23 year old male driver, from Decatur, had a revoked driver's license and was wanted on a Moultrie County warrant for Failure To Appear - (1) Hunting without a license and (2) Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Appropriate enforcement action was taken.

While on boat patrol on Lake Decatur, two District 19 CPOs arrested a Decatur man for OUI. The subject blew a 0.098.

Two District 19 CPOs received a complaint from Piatt County Dispatch about two subjects shooting geese out of the window of their vehicle. CPOs found the two subjects camping on the farm ground in the area. The two admitted to shooting at geese during the interviews. After interviews and searches, one subject was arrested for unlawful attempt to take geese, hunting by use or aid of a motor vehicle, loaded uncased gun in a vehicle, possession of drug paraphernalia and cannabis. The other subject was arrested for hunting by use or aid of a vehicle, possession of ammunition without a FOID card, possession of alcohol by a minor. The subjects were taken to Piatt County Jail.

REGION IV

No activity reported.

REGION V

An Effingham County CPO patrolled Forbes State Park Lake. Four written warnings were issued for boating equipment violations. One citation for child under 13 not wearing a PFD. One subject was cited for OUI and had a BAC of .12.

A CPO issued a citation to a Lawrenceville woman for possessing two pet raccoons.

A CPO and CPOT conducted OUI patrols on Lake of Egypt and Crab Orchard. Heavy rains over the weekend again hampered the boating activity.

A CPO reported that his patrol boat and the Lake Egypt Power Coop Security patrol boat both had their batteries stolen this past week. ISP crime scene technicians dusted for finger prints and foot prints. The Coop is checking their surveillance cameras to see if any footage covers the boat dock. Investigation is pending.

A CPO patrolled department lands and Lake Egypt, issuing written warnings for boating violations.

A CPO charged a subject with falsification/misrepresentation to obtain a resident fishing license. The subject pleaded guilty and paid \$262 in fine and costs.

A CPO is conducting an investigation into an unlicensed taxidermist.

A CPO completed a registration and title investigation for a subject in Pinckneyville.

A CPO cited a subject at the Kinkaid Spillway for possession of alcohol in a restricted area.

CPOs assisted a boater and his family that had broken down on Kinkaid Lake.

A CPO completed a boat title and registration assignment in Williamson County. It was found that the boat had been last titled in Kentucky and had been transferred to numerous persons

without them titling the watercraft in their resident states. In the end the boat is approved for title and registration for a Carterville resident.

A CPO was asked to take a report from a General Dynamics security officer on Crab Orchard refuge. The report indicated that a subject was believed to have set a fire to electronics equipment on the refuge and had left behind (littered) some of the parts of these electronic pieces. The subject was found in Creal Springs and interviewed. He admitted to burning some items to get to the salvage parts. He returned to the scene and cleaned the rest of the material up. He was charged with pollution.

A CPO conducted some boat inspections at ramps between thunder storms. Some violations were noted and appropriate action was taken.

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WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT
June 18, 2014**

REGION I

A District 6 Officer and CPOT conducted a boat patrol on the Illinois River. Several boat safety compliance checks were conducted. Citations were written for improper amount of PFD's and youthful operator on a jet ski, written warnings were issued for other equipment violations.

A District 6 Officer and CPOT were checking bank fishermen along the Illinois River when they observed a fisherman on a boat snagging in a prohibited area. The officer and CPOT were about to put a boat on the water to confront the fisherman when he pulled up to the boat ramp. A citation was issued for snagging in a prohibited area to a very upset fisherman.

District 1 CPOs arrested a Rochelle man for operating his watercraft while under the influence of alcohol on Pool 13 of the Mississippi River on the South end of Savanna slough. The operator had a .124% BAC.

A CPO and USCG Officer have teamed up again this year conducting boat patrols/safety checks on the Mississippi River in the Quad Cities area. Patrols were conducted and several written warnings were issued for minor violations.

While conducting boat safety inspections, a District 1 CPO and CPOT issued warnings for battery terminals not being covered, failure to wear lanyard cut-off, no sounding device, no type IV throwable device, and a non-serviceable fire extinguisher.

A District 1 CPO and CPOT worked Mississippi Palisades State Park over the weekend. Citations and warnings were issued for violation of the posted closing period. A Mt. Carroll man was issued a citation for no valid driver's license and issued warnings for cracked windshield, no front license plate, and improper failure to signal a turn.

A District 6 CPO was patrolling the Starved Rock Campground when he observed a campsite drinking alcohol. While approaching the subjects seated around the campfire he observed

another subject in his car rolling a joint. The CPO further discovered additional cannabis in the vehicle and a pipe as well as cannabis in another subject's car. Citations for alcohol, cannabis and paraphernalia were issued.

A District 6 CPO was patrolling the Starved Rock Campground when he observed a campsite drinking alcohol, being loud during quiet hours and had six vehicles parked at the campsite. The investigation led to two subjects being arrested for underage consumption of alcohol and additional citations to others for possession of alcohol in a prohibited area.

A District 7 CPO arrested an intoxicated boat operator on the Illinois River near Peoria. The boat operator provided a .127% BAC breath sample and enforcement action was taken.

A CPO in Winnebago County stopped to assist a stranded motorist along Route 173 near the entrance to Rock Cut State Park. During the assist, it was discovered the driver's license plates had expired in April 2013, the driver was operating an uninsured vehicle and there was no front license plate displayed as required.

While patrolling in Rock Cut State Park in Winnebago County, a CPO observed a motor vehicle which had pulled onto the park's right-of-way from a trail then rapidly accelerated beyond the posted speed limit through the park. Upon stopping the vehicle it was also discovered the driver failed to transfer registration as required and was driving on the previous owner's Texas license plates which had expired in September 2013. Further investigation revealed the driver was operating her motor vehicle without insurance and had a suspended Illinois driver's license.

A CPO who is one of the department's Field Training Officers began Step III of field training one of the Department's new officer trainees. Job aspects covered were watercraft I.D. and origin by hull identification number only and proper completion of a taxidermist inspection.

While checking shore fishermen along the Rock River in Winnebago County, CPOs discovered three men shooting and killing red winged black birds for food. Each man's pellet rifle was seized along with the dead birds for evidence. Each man was charged with unlawful taking of a protected non-game species and an assessed civil penalty for each bird unlawfully taken.

REGION II

Two CPOs arrested a subject for OUI on the Chain O' Lakes. The subject submitted to testing and showed a concentration of .081.

After watching for a houseboat that has been alleged to have been using fraudulent registration for two boating seasons, the boat was observed in operation on Lake Marie. CPOs interviewed the owner and he admitted to using registration stickers from a kayak on the 37' boat. During this time he also obtained two annual local waterway user stickers by using paperwork that was fraudulent. Appropriate charges were filed.

REGION III

A District 11 CPO encountered three subjects on the roadway outside of Wolf Creek State Park, in Shelby County. All three subjects were high on bath salts. The three had originally pulled off into a grass field near the horse trails and parked. They had observed the CPO's squad and panicked and ran off into the woods. One of the males was very combative and had to be restrained. He was later transported to the hospital due to elevated blood pressure. After interviewing the female it was learned they had all been smoking and injecting bath salts, with one of the males injecting it directly into the side of his head. A hypodermic needle with some liquid substance was found in their vehicle. All three subjects were transported to the Shelby County Jail. Multiple charges were filed with more charges are possible.

A District 11 Sergeant and CPO while on boat patrol on Lake Shelbyville observed a boat with several subjects waving their arms in the air and a female hanging over the stern vomiting. A check of the boat revealed that the operator, a Jacksonville man, was operating a watercraft under the influence of alcohol. The man had a .084 BAC and was the default "operator" due to the owner and other passengers on board being much more intoxicated.

A District 11 CPO on boat patrol on Lake Shelbyville cited a Florida man operating an Ohio boat allowing children under the age of 13 on board without wearing life jackets while underway.

While on patrol in Mascoutin SRA, CPOs stopped a passenger car for traveling 41 MPH in a posted 30 MPH zone and failure to wear a seatbelt (driver & front seat passenger). The stop resulted in the 19 year old female driver from Decatur being arrested for: (1) DUI- Drugs, (2) Unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia, (3) Unlawful possession of L/T 2.5g cannabis, and (4) Unlawful possession of alcohol by a minor. The 19 year old male passenger, also from Decatur, was arrested for: (1) Macon County Warrant FTA - Contempt of Court, (2) Unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia, and (3) Unlawful possession of L/T 2.5g cannabis.

While checking fishermen along the Sangamon River, a CPO smelled a strong odor of marijuana coming from the area of two fishermen. One of the fishermen attempted to throw the bag of "weed" near the water but was unsuccessful. He was found to have marijuana on him. Proper enforcement action was taken.

While working at Clinton Lake a Dist 19 CPO observed four people at the Valley Mill Fishing Pier. While speaking with them, the officer noticed they all had open beers next to them. After asking for ID's all stated that they were 21. When asked again all provided ID's except one that stated he was not drinking because he was 19. When asked if he knew what a PBT was, he stated that he did not. He ended up registering a .109% BAC. He then admitted that he had been drinking all day. He was issued a Notice to Appear and left in the custody of his sister.

REGION IV

A CPO in Brown County was working a boat enforcement detail in Jersey County. While inspecting the watercraft, he noticed several empty beer cans. The subject had bloodshot eyes and strong odor of alcohol on his breath. He failed one field sobriety and refused the rest. He refused to take a breath test. He was transported to the Jersey County Jail.

A Sgt. in Jersey County was working a boating detail when he noticed someone was having trouble backing the trailer in the water. After the boat was taken out of the water the Sgt. spoke to the driver. The driver had bloodshot eyes and the moderate odor of alcohol on his breath. The subject failed field sobriety test. The subject had a BAC of .083. He was transported to the Jersey County Jail.

A Jersey County CPO and a CPOT were patrolling the Mississippi River. They stopped a watercraft and conducted a safety inspection. After identifying a couple of violations they ran the subject through the Illinois State Police. The operator of the watercraft was wanted on a warrant for burglary. He was transported to the Jersey County Sheriff's Department.

A Jersey County CPO and a CPOT conducted interviews with the suspects for falsifying landowner permits. It was determined that one subject falsified a resident landowner deer permit application to receive free permits for his children and ex wife who are not hunters and do not reside at the same address. With the permits, he and a friend harvested several bucks over the two buck annual limit. A total of 21 bucks were seized in the investigation. Enforcement action is pending for several counts of falsification of landowner deer/turkey permit applications, falsification of IDNR harvest records, the unlawful take of more than two antlered deer in a single season, the unlawful transfer of deer permits and the unlawful take of whitetail deer.

A Sgt. in Greene County stopped a motorcycle for traveling 90 MPH in a 55 MPH Zone.

A Calhoun County CPO and Sgt. responded to a medical emergency on Enterprise Island on the Mississippi River. The subject was securing his personal watercraft when he broke his artificial hip. They transported medical personnel to the scene. Once the subject was secured to a backboard, they transported the subject to an ambulance.

A CPO in Adams County attended the Wounded Warriors banquet.

A CPO in Adams County attended a boat safety class.

A CPO in Jersey County attended Pere Marquette State Park Free Fishing Event.

REGION V

A Sergeant assisted Franklin County Sheriff's Office and the Corps of Engineers at Rend Lake with a man who discharged a pistol at the spillway. The man discharged a pistol into a fish trying to get it off his hook. Enforcement action was taken.

On Rend Lake, a man was arrested for operating a watercraft while under the influence of alcohol. The operator was stopped for allowing passengers to dangle off the top deck of the houseboat. He refused to submit to a breath test. The operator was also cited for operating a watercraft while having passengers in an unauthorized location and for expired registration. The same operator was arrested in 2010 for OUI.

A CPO is investigating an unlawful take of timber in Pope County.

Two CPOs worked S.A. Forbes State Park over the weekend. A total of 12 written warnings, 2 citations for alcohol in a restricted area, 4 citations for no PFDs, 1 citation no fishing license, 1 arrest for suspended driving, 1 arrest on warrant, and 2 arrests for OUI were made.

A CPO patrolled Lake Egypt and worked Ferne Clyffe State Park checking for fishing licenses, boating violations, campground violations and IVC infractions.

A CPO arrested a subject for driving on a revoked driver's license in Ferne Clyffe State Park. The charge was amended to reckless conduct and the subject was ordered to pay \$1500 in fine and costs and serve two days in jail.

A CPO found two men inside a restricted area of Cypress Creek Refuge both fishing without fishing licenses. He referred the unlawful entry into refuge to the Fish and Wildlife Service law enforcement.

A CPO is investigating a commercial fisherman on the Ohio River who is falsifying records in order to obtain licenses.

A CPO cited a fisherman on Kinkaid Lake for failing to release a 13 3/4" largemouth bass. There is a 16" size limit on the lake.

A CPO was called by a juvenile who wanted to turn himself in for shooting a Great Blue Heron. The CPO spoke with the juvenile and his father and learned the juvenile shot the Heron with a .22 caliber rifle while it stood along a county road near a ditch. The juvenile subject thought he hit it but the bird was never found. In lieu of charges, the juvenile was given an assignment of writing a statement of what happened, an essay about the natural history of the Great Blue Heron, and an essay regarding firearms safety. The assignments were completed the next day and additionally his father has now assigned him to take the hunter safety class again.

A Sgt. assisted the Pulaski County Sheriff's Office on a car accident that had a roadway shut down for more than an hour.

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WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT
June 25, 2014

REGION I

A District 1 CPO and CPOT conducted a boat patrol on the Rock River in Ogle County. Several citations and written warnings were issued for PFD violations, registration violations, various equipment violations, possession of undersized smallmouth and fishing license violations.

While on patrol in Franklin Creek State Park, a District 1 CPO and CPOT noticed a vehicle parked in a Day Use area of the parking lot that had several items of trash on the ground around it. The CPOs observed several items consistent with drug use in the vehicle as they looked through the windows. Soon the owner of the vehicle returned and consent was given to search the vehicle. A cannabis pipe and a jar containing a small amount of cannabis were located. The

owner of the vehicle claimed ownership and informed the officers there were two more people on the trails and one was in possession of a pipe. The other two subjects arrived and the pipe was discovered. Two subjects were arrested and transported to the Lee County Jail.

Three District 6 CPOs responded to a call of a missing boater in Marseilles. The subject jumped in and was swept away from the boat by strong currents. The subject went under water and never resurfaced. The search was halted due to severe weather and will resume Monday morning.

A District 7 CPO observed the operator of a watercraft on the Illinois River near Peoria attempt several times to load his watercraft on a trailer. After completing a boat safety check, the operator was believed to be under the influence of alcohol. The operator was placed under arrest and he provided a breath sample of .127% BAC.

An Oregon Illinois man paid \$2000 in fines and is on two year supervision for hunting without permission and hunting over bait. All of his hunting gear was forfeited to the state.

A District 6 CPO was dispatched to a bike accident at Rock Cut State Park. The 9 year old female had been riding her bike down a hill when she lost control. The CPO provided medical care until paramedics arrived. The girl's injuries were a severely lacerated left leg and a broken wrist. She was transported to St. Anthony's Hospital for further treatment.

The Mississippi River is once again approaching major flood stage in Henderson County. Local officials have requested that CPOs monitor the levee break at the Henderson Creek State Fish and Wildlife Area. Once the river reaches a certain level, water flows through the breach and around the Lock and Dam 18 exiting into Henderson Creek. Local officers are monitoring not only the breach, but the effect it has on the drainage district levees.

CPOs responded to a 911 call of a fall in Illinois Canyon. After responding to Illinois Canyon it was found the victim was not there. After repeated attempts to contact the 911 caller they re-contacted and it was found the caller really did not know what the name of the canyon was. The caller was no longer at the victim's location. After a 2 1/2 hour search the victim was located and refused medical treatment. The victim was issued a citation for climbing rocks at the waterfall at Illinois Canyon.

A District 1 CPO and a CPOT responded to an injured goose call at Prophetstown State Park. The goose was located and taken into possession. While waiting to relay the goose to a wildlife rehabilitator, the CPOs checked fishermen. One fisherman quit fishing and returned to the camp when he saw the CPOs. The CPOs asked him for a fishing license and the man explained he was from Kentucky and didn't want to buy an expensive out of state license. The CPOs explained he could get a 24 hour license for \$10.50. It was discovered the man was wanted on a warrant out of Whiteside County and the man resided in Morrison. The subject was taken to jail on the warrant and issued a citation for fishing without a valid sport fishing license. The goose was relayed to a licensed rehabilitator.

A CPOT and CPO arrested three subjects for illegally taking five undersized bass on the Mississippi River and at Lake George.

A CPOT and CPO patrolled Mississippi River Pool 16. During the patrol, they arrested a subject for operating a watercraft under the influence of alcohol. The subject recorded a .172 BAC.

A District 1 CPO was notified by the local sheriff's department of children floating in tubes on the Rock River during a thunderstorm. The CPO had just left that area and already observed several groups of people willingly float downstream with no signs of distress. The fire department responded with their boat and launched as a precautionary measure. The group of four men floating on the tubes drifted to the boat launch. There were no children and no violations. The completely sober men failed to check the weather prior to launching and got caught in the rain. They apologized to the Emergency Responders and said they "didn't care if it rained because they came out to get wet."

REGION II

A District 2 CPO cited two subjects on the Fox River for possession of a 10 1/2 inch largemouth bass and a 13 inch largemouth bass.

Two District 2 CPOS found a group of teens trespassing on a local gravel pit. The CPOs split up and came in from both sides, so when they tried to run, they were unsuccessful. Two of the subjects were in possession of cannabis and paraphernalia. They were charged accordingly.

A District 2 CPO found a subject in possession of a 14 inch northern pike on the Fox River in Lake County. A 24 inch size limit applies statewide.

Two District 2 CPOs found a subject with his kids fishing on Pistakee Lake. When asked what they caught, they replied catfish and carp. When the CPO lifted the plastic bag out of a separate bucket, he found four undersized largemouth bass (two 10 inches and two 13 inches). Appropriate enforcement action was taken.

After covering the patrol boat from a night out on the water, and just making it back before heavy rains swept the area, a CPO and CPOT drove back down to the Chain O' Lakes State Park boat ramp where they saw two individuals fishing from the shoreline earlier. One individual had a 19" walleye in a bucket and stated he had no idea what the fish was. Unfortunately for him there is a protected 18" - 24" slot limit. The second individual stated he wasn't fishing and had no identification. He provided name and date of birth which indicated no record on file with state police. After the third round of "No Record on File", the CPO informed the subject he was being arrested for obstructing identification until he could determine who he was. After placing the first cuff on the subject he stated, "Ok. I'll tell you who I am." The subject was arrested and cited for not having a fishing license and the obstructing identification. The subject informed the officer that he didn't want to get a ticket for fishing without a license. A second CPO was called to assist. As they were finishing with that incident the last boat of the evening came into the ramp. Subjects switched operators and were both subsequently arrested for operating a watercraft while under the influence of alcohol. One subject had a BAC of .13 and the second a BAC of .14. Cannabis and a 9/32" deep well socket with burnt cannabis residue were also found

in the watercraft.

A CPO and CPOT arrested an underage subject swimming at a local gravel pit for consumption of alcohol by a minor. The subject stated that he was not drinking because he had been in trouble for alcohol in the past. However, the subject had the strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on his breath and kept weaving from side to side. A PBT, with manual override, indicated the subject had a BAC of .172.

A District 2 CPO and a CPOT arrested a subject for possession of alcohol in a restricted area and possession of a firearm on Department lands. A second subject who was a juvenile was in possession of drug paraphernalia and alcohol in a restricted area. Charges against the juvenile are pending. The firearm was a Colt .177 caliber pellet pistol and was sitting in the lap of the subject when confronted. He stated the purpose of the pellet pistol was to protect him from raccoons. The mother of the juvenile drove an hour and a half each way to pick up her son.

A District 2 CPO arrested a subject at the Chain O' Lakes State Park for driving under the influence of alcohol. The vehicle was stopped because the driver was towing a boat trailer with an individual standing on the wheel well driving down the road. The subject blew a .094.

REGION III

A District 11 CPO cited a Charleston man for improper passenger location. The passenger was sitting on the front of the pontoon, outside the rail, while the boat was underway.

A District 11 CPO investigated a minor boat accident on Lake Shelbyville. An Oak Forest man tied up his boat near the Coon Creek campground when water entered the boat from wave action causing it to sink. The boat was recovered by Findlay Marina.

Two District 11 CPOs assisted Lincoln Trail State Park in Clark County host the Jeffrey Keller Memorial Open Water Swim through the U.S. Masters Swimming League.

A District 11 CPO spoke to a Hunter Safety Class at the Windsor Gun Club.

A District 19 CPO investigated a boat accident on Lake Decatur. A female passenger on the watercraft received a prop cut due to jumping overboard to rescue a three year old passenger that had fallen overboard. One citation was issued to the operator for passenger location. No one on the boat was seriously injured.

Two District 19 CPOs working Clinton Lake arrested a Bloomington man for OUI. The operator had a BAC of 0.155.

Two District 19 CPOs assisted biologists with a report of illegal possession of endangered reptiles. It was reported to the biologist that a person started his own reptile rescue in Danville. The owner of the reptile rescue stated that someone left two alligator snapping turtles and one alligator on his porch. After interviews it was found that the owner's assistant went to Hoopeston, Illinois and picked up the reptiles from a residence. Department of Agriculture and wildlife violations were addressed and charges are pending.

A District 19 CPO was contacted by Weldon Springs State Park of a theft that occurred in the campground. A water cooler and various food items were taken from a youth camp group. Upon arriving at the park the CPO stopped two vehicles that were reported to have been involved. After interviewing the suspects they stated that they had nothing to do with the thefts. The CPO then interviewed other campers and ascertained that the original suspects were the violators. The CPO was able to meet with the suspects in Clinton and obtained a confession for the thefts. The cooler was returned and an agreement was made for financial restitution for the items that could not be returned. State Park citations were issued for other violations found.

While on patrol on Clinton Lake two CPOs stopped a boat for a safety inspection. During the inspection it was noted that all individuals had been drinking. They removed the operator from the boat and noticed a strong smell of an alcoholic beverage. After field sobriety tests were given, the subject was placed under arrest for O.U.I. When asked why he was being placed under arrest the officer stated that he could not even recite his ABC's. The operator stated that he had done them perfectly. The officer informed him that he made three errors and ended on the letter v. The operator then stated that he could have done better but his knee was messed up. The operator of the boat refused all breath tests and was arrested for OUI.

District 11 CPOs and District 19 CPOs were busy last week moving furniture and other items out of the now "old" Region 3 Office.

REGION IV

No activity reported.

REGION V

A CPO in Pope County is investigating the unlawful harvest of timber involving over 30 trees. The species included various oak and hickory trees. The CPO also assisted IDNR Foresters in measuring the stumpage to determine the board feet taken. The case remains under investigation.

CPOs worked an event at the Sparta World Shooting and Recreation Complex.

A CPO and Sergeant patrolled Rend Lake issuing life jacket citations and several boating warnings.

Two timber trucks were stopped and inspected in Hamilton County. Several violations were found and appropriate enforcement action was taken.

A CPO and CPOT began working on field training in Williamson County and the tasks associated with field training.

A CPO and CPOT conducted ramp inspections of watercraft at Crab Orchard Lake. The CPOT issued written warnings for some minor boat violations and to a subject for fishing with too many sport fishing devices.

A CPO and CPOT completed a taxidermist inspection in Williamson County. No violations were noted.

A CPO and CPOT performed boat patrols on Kinkaid Lake, Crab Orchard Lake and Lake Egypt, issuing written warnings and citations for numerous boating safety equipment violations and fishing license violations.

A CPO patrolled Ferne Clyffe State Park and clocked a vehicle speeding 40 mph in a 20 mph zone.

CPOs conducted boat patrol on Lake of Egypt. A subject was cited for failure to have a fishing license while fishing. Other minor boating violations were documented with written warnings.

A CPO and CPOT conducted boat patrol on Kinkaid Lake. Minor boat violations committed by subjects were documented with written warnings.

A CPO and CPOT recovered an injured Bald Eagle which had eluded capture earlier. The immature eagle has a badly broken right wing and was transported to Free Again Wildlife Rehabilitation in Carterville. If the wing is unable to be fixed, the eagle will become an education bird.

While en route to meet his FTO a CPOT observed a car travelling at a high rate of speed and passing vehicles in a no passing zone nearly colliding with another vehicle. The CPOT paced the offending car at 94 mph and recognizing the public safety hazard of the situation initiated a traffic stop. A CPO was nearby and the subject in the offending vehicle was stopped without incident. The male subject of the vehicle admitted to his conduct and stated he thought game wardens could not stop vehicles. The subject was advised game wardens could stop vehicles and was cited for improper lane usage and speeding.

A CPO and CPOT worked the Copperhead Music Festival held at the World Shooting and Recreational Complex.