

Madeline Island Ambulance Service Report

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July is our busy month. We had three calls yesterday. We have made good use of the newest rig and the power load cot and system have already been very valuable. Everyone is getting lots of experience with the rig and the new equipment.

The service is very grateful that the town has accepted Plan C for the new emergency services building. I am looking forward to being involved with getting the details worked out and moving ahead with the plans. Many people in town are asking lots of questions and it is gratifying to hear their interests and concerns.

We had our Helicopter training with Life Link last month and it was a great training session. We learned about their expanded services and just how dispatch determines how helicopters are launched. We went through the process of setting up a landing zone and getting patients to the helicopter safely. We toured the helicopter and its equipment. We got many questions from the public about this service and so I wrote an article for the gazette about the helicopter services. I also went through the process of what happens when someone calls 911. I hope it helps the community to understand how our service works and works with other divisions of emergency medical care.

The Act 102 Funding program is opening on July 1st. I will be filling out the applications as usual and hope to receive out usual grant. It was postponed this year. It is due at the end of July. With these funds and the funds designated just for the ambulance service we hope to purchase a Lucas device this fall. A Lucas device is an automated chest compression device used during CPR.

We will be working with Bayfield for the Pointe to La Pointe swim in August.

Respectfully Submitted, Cynthia Dalzell, Madeline Island Ambulance Service