

**BOONE COUNTY WATER RESCUE  
MONTHLY REPORT**

**July 2006**

**GENERAL ACTIVITIES**

1. Two team meetings, supervisor meeting, fire chiefs meetings monthly and Ohio River meeting.
  2. Boat 218 in service, the boat will be moored at the Mike Fink for Covington Fire Department to use until Covington's boat is repaired. (4 to 5 weeks).
  3. Boat 219 is in the water at Villa Hills Marine, 219 is being configured to carry EMS equipment, dive equipment, drop camera equipment, and side scan sonar equipment on going. (Computer equipment including side scan sonar has been completed).
  4. Installing wireless and computer equipment on all boats and Squad on going
  5. Boat 220 is being reconfigured to use both the side scan sonar and drop camera equipment on going.
  6. Requested by Covington Fire Department to do a bottom survey with our side scan sonar unit in the area of the old Covington landing to make sure that there wasn't any obstruction that would be a navigational hazard. During the survey we found a vehicle just down stream from the Suspension Bridge, Covington P.D. requested the vehicle to be removed. Team divers were dispatched the divers found the vehicle, it was in 24 feet of water approximately 75 feet from shore, the vehicle was removed from the river and taken to the Covington impound lot.
  7. Received a Thank you letter from the Cincinnati police chief in regards helping their department in recovering a drowning victim.
  8. Preparing for Riverfest and Tall stacks.
- Concerns**
9. No word of the headquarters and bay relocation plans
  10. Vehicles are all old and not being replaced. Jim R. advises no vehicles this year will be available any better than we have. The vehicles we have are all overloaded.

**Training**

1. Tim Bolen, Rob Barth, Brandon Burks, and Matt Hawkins have successfully completed the 2006 Search and Recovery requirements. This now puts the team up to 18 qualified divers.
2. Side scan sonar training found 5 vehicles at the Anderson Ferry on the Ohio side of the river.

**Rescues**

1. **Kenton County:** Assisted commercial boats thru Covington area.
2. **Boone County:** Houseboat under the I-275 Bridge was grounded and called for assistance, boat 219 and the tow boat from the McGinnis fleet helped in removing the boat.
3. **Boone County:** Petersburg area boat adrift 4 adults 2 children lower unit burned up, towed boat to Mandy's landing.