



# **POWNAL FIRE & RESCUE DEPARTMENT**

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Select Board,

Our current run count is at 170. That's 9 more than last year at the same time. At this rate we will again exceed the 200-call mark. There are no signs of a slowdown.

All the new firefighters are nearing completion of the 86-hour Basic Fire School (BFS). We have propane fires and just a few loose ends to tie up, and they will be certified firefighters. Their training will not end there however, they will continue to learn both through our own training programs and through outside offerings. In total, Pownal put 5 new members through the BFS and 2 members from neighboring communities. We have also welcomed 2 new EMT's to the roster. So, in total we have added 7 members to the roster since my last report.

Tank 4, Engine1, and Engine 2 have had some work completed over the summer and fall. Tank 4's charging system failed and needed to be replaced. Eng.1 and Eng.2 both needed pump work. All have been repaired at this time.

Pownal Fire has submitted a request to Cumberland County Regional Communications Center to be included in the recent radio equipment grant that they received. It is not clear yet as to what extent they will be able to cover all our radio needs, but it should be a significant amount. I will keep both the Board and Capital Projects apprized as they move forward.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Chief Jesse Peters