



NORTH KING COUNTY TRAINING CONSORTIUM

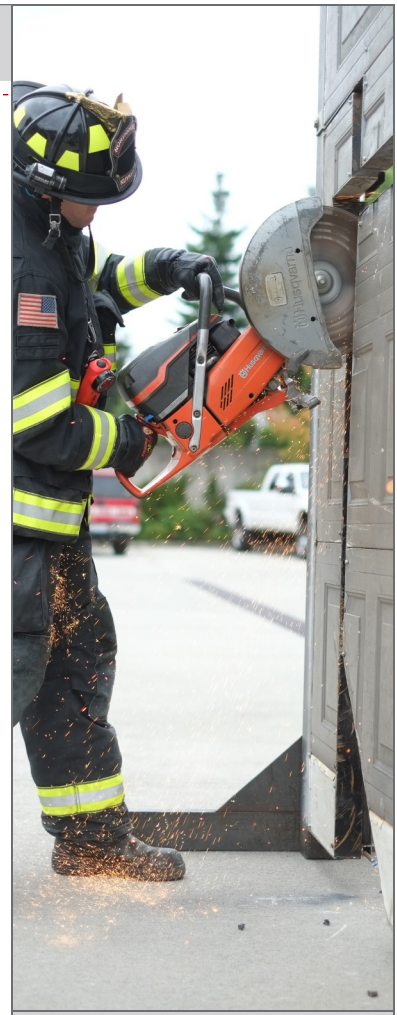
Training Bulletin
2nd Quarter 2020

Sparks Will Fly

WE ARE NKCTC!

We are excited to share that the North King County Training Consortium is up and running with our full team in place. There will be a lot of opportunities to improve and streamline with collaboration, and we welcome your feedback as we get things off the ground. With this new adventure, please keep in mind we bear no "patch". We are ALL committed to serve every agency equally! This means that another TO, other than yours, may be contacting you for information, feedback or assistance.

In order to keep you all apprised of our efforts and ambitions, we will be releasing a new Training Bulletin every quarter. Let us know if there is something you would like to hear about in an upcoming edition.



NKCTC PROUDLY SERVES

- 4 Agencies
- 11 Stations
- 4 Battalions
- 268 Firefighters

And our districts cover 173,981 citizens over 67.3 sq. miles



MEET THE TEAM

We will be working to get around to each station in person, but in the mean time, read on to learn more about each of us.

DANIELLE MAGISTRALE

After working most of my career in Corporate America, I started with Woodinville Fire in 2015 as the Training and CRR Admin. I quickly found that training (no offense CRR) was my passion. I love the excitement in building training and the execution. On March 2 I accepted a position with Bothell Fire which led me to the NKCTC. There is something to be said about "power in numbers". The excitement to provide the best training possible to all of our Agencies is contagious. The office is always buzzing (and it isn't just from the coffee). Our hope is that once we are able to get back on the training grounds the work that this team is doing will show and that all of you will look forward to what is coming next.

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ERIK WALLGREN

Having come from Zone 3 and experiencing firsthand what a Training Consortium can do to enhance the service delivery to our citizens is very exciting to me. I'll be the first person to tell you while in Renton I was very skeptical of a consortium at first. I believed we had a top-shelf training division of our own and I didn't see how combining the other agencies all into one division would make that big of a difference. Wow! Was I ever wrong! Now I'm the biggest cheerleader for consortiums and how they can improve the interoperability and consistency on the emergency scene, while improving firefighter safety.

Achieving a higher plateau of training has been a challenge for our north end departments due to size and to the limited resources to put towards the effort. With the formation of the NKCTC, we are in a position to clearly raise the bar!

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JIM VANDERTOORN

Hello I'm Jim Vandertoorn currently serving as the Battalion Chief in Training for NKCTC. I started my career in the Fire service in 1988 for the USFS on a Hotshot crew. It was early on that I found a passion for the fire service. I completed my AA in Fire science and BA in Fire Protection Administration. In 1994 I began work as a FF for the City of Bothell. For the next 25 years I pursued many aspects of the craft with a focus on Truck Work and Technical Rescue.

Throughout my career I have always found teaching to be very rewarding. In fact, I believe it is what has brought me to this next step in my career. The chance to work with NKCTC is exciting and I'm honored and privileged to have this opportunity.



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JOHN BURROW

Well hello there! My name is John Burrow and I'm excited to serve you as one of the NKCTC Training Officer's. The adventure to arrive to our consortium has been a long journey but it's here now and you should expect great things from our office. My qualifications don't include a doctorate's, MBA, or honorary Ivy school degree, but it does include my passion to develop professional firefighters to maximize their potential. Three goals I have for this consortium:

- There will be some cultural differences within our agencies, but we're going to build on areas we have in common.
- Provide relevant and quality training that is meaningful and supportive to you in the field.
- Build a Training Division that you expect.



"When you come to a fork in the road, take it." -Yogi Berra



KATE HANSEN

After almost four years working in Training, I'm excited to be a part of getting the North King County Training Consortium off the ground. With a background in Project Management and Stage Management, I look forward to building a strong, efficient infrastructure for our Consortium.

Providing effective, quality training to our Fire and EMS crews is paramount, because that's what ensures you are safe and well equipped for the challenges you face in the field every day. I strive to help your Training Consortium meet your needs and exceed your expectations.

Here's to taking it to the next level!

"I'm not telling you it's going to be easy—I'm telling you it's going to be worth it" -Arthur L. Williams, Jr.



MIKE GROFF

Hello there! My name is Mike Groff, and I'm currently serving as one of the four Training Officers in the North King County Training Consortium! I'm on my 21st year in the fire service, having served all of that time with the Bothell Fire Department. Training and teaching are passions of mine, and I thoroughly enjoy helping people practice and master our craft within the fire service! I've been lucky enough to serve in many capacities with many disciplines within our organization, and enjoy the challenge of helping people reach their desired goals and building new leaders. Apart from work, I enjoy all things outdoors: hunting, fishing, hiking, climbing, sports, coaching, and pretty much all things motorsports related! Family and good friends are of the utmost important to me, and most of my 'time off' is spent with those folks! Looking forward to the NKCTC impact!

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TODD WOLLUM

Hi, I'm Todd Wollum. I worked for Northshore Fire Department for 9 years before going to medic school in 2006. At both departments, I've always been involved with not only the EMS training but also the technical rescue programs. Both of these involve multiple agencies and set the standard for how we should make the consortium work.

My current assignment is the QI/QA Training MSO in the training consortium. I review all calls that our system benchmarks including: STEMI, CVA, Trauma, Cardiac Arrest. This is different than the run review that is also occurring. These are the statistics that we report out to King County. I try to get this done including feedback to you as quick as possible to make it relevant. I'll email these directly to the involved crews, to give you a glimpse into the metrics that we are judged by compared to the national standard. I also forward feedback from the stroke coordinators from NW, Evergreen, and Overlake when I get it.



"Make it relevant"

TONY EASON

Hello, my name is Tony Eason and I have worked the last 27 years with Woodinville Fire and Rescue. The majority of my career has been spent on the Ladder Truck. My most recent assignment before heading into training, was as a Lieutenant on E133, as a Hazmat team member. I am excited to be on the initial NKCTC team. There are so many areas that we can bring the four agencies together on. The work that we do will provide a consistent and focused direction moving forward. It's an exciting time to be in the Fire Service. On a personal note, I live in Lake Stevens with my wife Christine and our wiener dog Ruby. We have three kids, and they keep us busy with their various activities. If you want to talk ball or shop, my door is always open.



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TRAVIS PITTS

Well here we go.... I am 5'10" 185 lbs. and reside in Shoreline. I run a 8.5 sec 40 yrd. Dash. About a 2" vertical and a 6" broad jump. As Toby Keith Sings "I ain't as good as I once was but I'm as good once as I ever was." I am excited to start this new venture with North King County Training Consortium. All four departments have a lot to offer both resources and talent. When we collaboratively weave these together the citizens across the North end of King County will be better served. Thanks for the opportunity to participate.

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2020 TRAINING GOALS

As many of you know, there was a lot of work already happening before the official "meeting of the minds". Now that we are all together in one room, we have taken it to another level and are focused on developing and enhancing the North End training. We already have things in common that lay a foundation for great success, such as: NEDs, MCOs, Academies and Best Practices. Some of the areas we are focusing on are:

- With the support of the Ops Chiefs, we'll be reviewing all task manuals, acting books and probationary books to streamline the things we already have in common into one document.
- Look to the future (post COVID-19). Continue developing our scope, resources and materials.
- Develop and deliver consistent, quality training to all four agencies in order to elevate our preparedness and response at all levels.

Your role in our success is crucial.

We look forward to serving you!



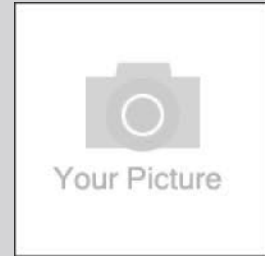
TRAINING: WHO'S DOING WHAT

NKCTC

- EMS Training Facilitation
- EMT Recertification – Danielle WOFD/BOFD Kate NSFD/SHFD
- Suppression
- Recruit Academy **Coming Soon*
- Pump Operator Academy
- Safety Officer Certification
- Drafting Standardized Task Books
- Officer Development
- Special Operations (Hazmat, TRT, Wildland) Curriculum/Development with Tech's
- Training Requests for NKCTC Facilitated Opportunities
- PEER Support Training Coordination
- Station 51 Training Facility

HOME AGENCY

- Career Development
- Special Operations (Hazmat, TRT, Wildland) Tech's instruct OPS/Awareness
- Training Requests and Travel for Outside Agency Opportunities
- PEER Support Program Management
- EVIP & Tractor/Tiller
- Administrative
- Fire Prevention



Your Training Consortium wants your involvement! If you have instructive or fun photos to share, please send them to Danielle and Kate so we can include them in consortium publications!

MISSION:

Through formal collaboration, develop and deliver quality training to our customers with a commitment to excellence

VISION:

Enhance regional training by improving operational consistency and interoperability

CBT'S & COVID-19

In light of COVID-19 protocols, the practical portions of CBT training are postponed until further notice.

Lectures will be completed via teleconference at 0900-1000 and 1030-1130

**WORK
HARD
TRAIN
HARDER**

"Being called a firefighter is the greatest compliment you will ever receive."
-Steve Austin

CBTT TRAINING

Command Based Tactical Training was taught to BC's and Act BC's. The class focused on communications, Tactical worksheet and transfer of command.



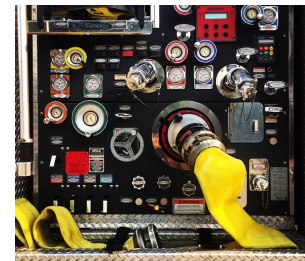
Company Based Tactical Training is currently being presented to LT's and Act. LT's focused on communications, initial units best practices, leaning forward and transfer of command.

PUMP ACADEMY

COORDINATOR: CAPTAIN EASON

Efforts to coordinate a NKCTC Pump Academy are under way. Work to date includes:

- Instructors from each agency have been identified.
- We currently have 19 students reserved
- With support from the Ops Chiefs, we will be developing a NKCTC Pump Operators Task Book.

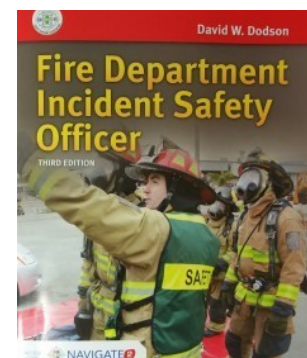


INCIDENT SAFETY OFFICER CERTIFICATION

COORDINATOR: BC VANDERTOORN

The Consortium has begun work on an ISO Certification Program.

- Each agency will become a member of the Fire Department Safety Officers Association.
- Roughly 36 students will be participating in the certification process
- Coordinate the assignments and testing for each student in order to become Pro-Board Certified.





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"Bringing out the best in a person is often the catalyst
for bringing out the best in the team" -Peter Drucker