

## 2011 Regional OEC Administrator Report

Since being appointed the EMARI OEC administrator in May my focus has been on the OEC 5<sup>th</sup> edition rollout. At the Division Spring Officers Meeting in April it was agreed that every instructor would need to attend a rollout class in order to teach the new OEC curriculum. This class would introduce instructors to the format of the new book, changes in OEC skills and the addition of new OEC skills. In addition, instructors were introduced to the new instructor resources that are available on My NSP kit.

Although no one was truly excited about giving up beautiful summer weekends, I was fortunate to have a group of very dedicated OEC instructor trainers to help with the rollout classes. This started with some of the IT's getting trained by Division staff at Gore Mountain in New York in early June. By the end of June, the first EMARI rollout class was scheduled at Nashoba Valley. The attendance of so many instructors at that first class was a great way to start and demonstrated the dedication of the patrollers in our region. Yawgoo Valley stepped up next and offered to organize the second rollout class in July. The third and final rollout class will be held on September 18<sup>th</sup> at Nashoba Valley.

Due to some scheduling conflicts, the date of the EMARI instructor Cycle A refresher needed to be moved. Once more I needed to ask instructors to give up a summer Saturday in August to complete this portion of their training.

One other change that we made this summer was to reorganize how the IT's will be working with instructors. Each instructor is now assigned to a specific IT who will be the primary communication link for their assigned group of instructors and will provide mentoring for the instructors as we continue to work with the OEC 5<sup>th</sup> edition.

My thanks to Bill Devarney who has assisted me through my transition in this new role. Also, Chris Pringle, who communicated my needs and obtained support from the regions Patrol Directors. To the instructors who put in the extra work needed this summer to learn new skills that they will now pass on to patrollers at each mountain, my thanks and I promise not to make similar requests next summer. And most important, my gratitude to a superb group of Instructor Trainers: Scott Crofts, Bill Devarney, Deb Foss, Dave Hemendinger, Michelle Goldsmith, Joe Greenwood, Michelle Landry, Ed McNamara, Edee McNamara, Alice Painter, Dave Polsey, Chris Pringle, Janet Read, Mike Seward, John Shipman, and Dave Walker.

Respectfully submitted,

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