

LEE COUNTY

MOSQUITO/HYACINTH CONTROL DISTRICTS



Newsletter—July, 2013

Important Calendar Dates:

July 4th:



July 11th: 9:00am—Board Meeting

July 15th: 10:00 am—Family Faith School Tour

July 30th: Supervisors' Meeting

Mosquito Season is Here



May 28-31, all LCMCD Pilots attended ground school to learn the total operation of the King Air airplane. This class was taught by a company recognized by the insurance industry as being qualified to train pilots in the operation of the King Air. The ground school consisted of instruction on the proper operation of the various systems on board the aircraft as well as emergency procedures. After ground school, four (4) pilots attended the inflight portion of the training. In the aircraft, these four pilots got to see firsthand the capabilities of the airplane in normal and emergency operations including flight with one engine inoperative. The majority of the inflight training was on emergency procedures, but we hope that we will never have to use these procedures in an actual emergency.



Dump Switch Training with Water

In Memorium: Peter Verhulst passed away May 20, 2013. Peter worked in both Hyacinth and Mosquito Control Districts and retired in 1993. In 1993, he was named "Applicator of the Year" for the Florida Aquatic Plant Management Society.

2013 Field Activity

ACRES TREATED	GROUND ADULTICIDING	AERIAL ADULTICIDING	GROUND LARVICIDING	AERIAL LARVICIDING	SERVICE REQUESTS
January	10,763.6	0.0	18.0	0.0	65.0
February	3,876.0	0.0	33.4	1,045.6	28.0
March	922.5	0.0	6.3	622.8	32.0
April	745.1	0.0	33.5	2,254.6	72.0
May	15,153.9	0.0	52.4	6,579.7	130.0
June					663.0
July					
August					

DISTRICT HOSTS SEMINAR



Lee County Hyacinth Control District hosted a half-day aquatic weed seminar on June 25, 2013. Helena Chemical Company, United Phosphorous, Inc., and BioSafe Systems sponsored the meeting and representatives gave presentations to the fifty attendees from South-west Florida regarding new products and application equipment. Three and one-half CEU's were credited to those with DACS Aquatic Pesticide Licenses and lunch was provided by the sponsors. District personnel in attendance were: Keith Andreu, Bill Colon, Jeremy Ford, Ken Sonne, Linda Walstrum, Kevin Watts, Fred Schudel and Don Doggett.



AQUATIC WEED DEMONSTRATION

FloridAquatic Lake Management demonstrated a Truxor amphibious machine in a Cape Coral canal on June 20, 2013. The versatility of the Truxor allows for weed cutting and collecting, reed harvesting and general maintenance of wetland habitats. The District is looking at a variety of options to deal with new challenges in the Cape. The photo shows Ken Sonne at the controls and Dan Farrell, FloridAquatic, giving assistance.

