



## **PERQUIMANS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES**

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### **PRESS RELEASE**

#### **The Perquimans County Water Rescue Team Partners with The Osprey Yacht Club**

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This past weekend, members of the Perquimans County Water Rescue Team could be found in the Albemarle Sound waters near Marina Park at Albemarle Plantation. Our team was on standby to assist as needed at The Albemarle Sound Sailing Association Challenge Regatta, sponsored by The Osprey Yacht Club. Approximately 23 sailboats participated each day in the regatta from four surrounding yacht clubs.

The Perquimans County Water Rescue Team is a volunteer team comprised of public safety personnel, county employees and a couple of experienced residents. Our main water resources include a 25-foot Boston Whaler, a 19-foot Parker and a 15-foot Carolina Skiff. As most of these resources are not used routinely, it is important for our team to train regularly so that we will be prepared in the event of an emergency.

The time in the water allowed water rescue members to be readily available if the need arose but also gave us an opportunity to train on boat operations, radio operations, navigation and transferring ambulatory patients or personnel from one vessel to another. With varying levels of boating experience, this was a great opportunity for us to practice in a non-emergency setting.

Thank you to The Osprey Yacht Club for your support and for allowing us to assist with your event.



