



Claremont Fire Department

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*****PRESS RELEASE*****

At 1208 PM on April 7th, the Claremont Fire Department responded to reports of smoke coming from the grandstands at Barnes Park. Engine 3 and Ladder 2 Car 1 responded and arrived on the scene at 1212 pm.

The first arriving officer identified smoke coming from the grandstand/storage building at Barnes Park. Fire crews entered the grandstand to find fire coming from the upper part of the seating area. Fire personnel were able to make a quick knock down of the fire preventing the fire from extending into the roof structure and the large storage area. Off duty personnel were recalled to cover additional calls while the duty crew was tied up on scene.

Due to the suspicious nature of the fire, the Claremont Fire Department has initiated an investigation into its cause, and currently, the investigation remains ongoing.

Anyone who may have been in the vicinity of Barnes Park at the time of the incident is asked to contact Lt. William Hardy, at 603-542-5156 or Claremont Police Department.

The Claremont Fire Department would like to extend our thanks to the Claremont Police Department for their assistance at the scene.

Captain Stevens