



# Search & Rescue Council, Inc.

Neotoma Composit Squadron (CAP)  
Pima County Four Wheel Drive  
Pima County Sheriff's Mounted Posse  
Southern Arizona Rescue Association (SARA)  
Pima County Search and Recovery Divers

Tucson, Arizona 85732

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NEWSLETTER

## Meetings, Practices, Trainings

- Sat/Sun  
May 30-31 Posse Over-night training: for 48 hours in the Catalinas, "to test man and horse survival" in the field. The Posse will be responsible for emergency first aid of the "victims" who will be stationed along the trails. Contact Tim Hiple, Jr. or Tom Faulkner if you would like to participate.
- Sat/Sun  
May 30-31 Cochise and Pima County Search & Recovery: two-day practice/exchange at Parker Canyon Lake. Cochise Co. has been interested in getting together with our unit to compare techniques, and also to have some fun. Anyone who would like to attend should contact the Cochise County Desert Aqua Sports at 1-458-2760.
- Mondays  
June 2, 8,  
15, 22, 29 Neotoma Squadron monthly meetings: 7 p.m. at Flowing Wells Fire Station #2, corner of Curtis/Davis.
- Wed.  
June 3 Four Wheel Drive general meeting: 7:30 p.m. at El Dorado Hospital. Joe Barr will discuss "Search Techniques." Everyone is welcome to attend.
- Fri.  
June 5 SARA general meeting: 7:30 p.m. at St. Mark's Presbyterian Church, 3809 East 3rd Street.
- Fri-Sun  
June 5, 6, 7 Arizona Wing Conference: in Prescott for all Civil Air Patrol units to get together and exchange information. Call Bob McCord at 297-1539 for more information.
- Sat.  
June 6 SARA certification: 7 a.m. at Ina/Oracle Roads for river and vertical rescue practice on the Gila River. Call Scott Clemans or Rich Kunz for details. Bring technical and water gear, plus a change of clothes.
- Sun.  
June 7 Divers practical training: 9 a.m. at Kennedy Lake. Call Rudy Montenegro, Safety Training Officer if you are interested in joining the divers, and/or for more information. He may be reached at 225-8566.
- Sat.  
June 13 Search training: 8 a.m. rendezvous at Tanque Verde/Sabino Canyon Roads for instruction in search management skills.
- Sun.  
June 14 Tracking practice: 8 a.m. rendezvous at Tanque Verde/Sabino Canyon Roads for tracking practice. Call Guy Sagi for more details. Chapters 1 and 2 will be covered in Jack Kearney's Tracking: A Blueprint for Learning How.
- Wed.  
June 17 SARCI(council) meeting: 7:30 p.m. at the U of A Health Sciences Center room 6120. Use the main entrance.

## Meetings, cont'.

Wed. June 17 SARCI(Council) meeting: 7:30 p.m. at the U of A Health Sciences Center, room 6120. Use the main entrance.

Thurs. June 18 Posse general meeting: 7:30 p.m. at the Desert Inn.

Sat. June 20 Posse training: 9 a.m. rendezvous at the Crazy Horse Campground, Craycroft/I-10 for a map and compass orientation.

Sat/Sun June 21-28 Civil Air Patrol encampment: in Fort Huachuca for cadettes skilled in military leadership.

Wed. June 24 Four Wheel Drive board meeting: 7 p.m. at Randy Trobridge's house, 13401 East 3rd Street.

Thurs. June 25 SARA board meeting: 7:30 p.m. at the Simons', 4424 East Bellevue Av., #107. All board meetings are open to any SARA member.

## July Briefs

July 1 Four Wheel Drive general meeting: 7:30 p.m. at El Dorado Hospital, 1400 North Wilmot Road.

Fri. July 3 SARA general meeting: 7:30 p.m. at St. Marks's Presbyterian Church, 3809 East Third Street. Discussion of June's Gila River training, and outlook toward next technical practice.

Sun. July 5 Divers practice: possibly at Amphi Pool. Contact Rudy Montenegro for positive confirmation.

Sun. July 5 Turkey-on-a-Rock practice: Tentatively scheduled for victim extrication from rock face.

Arizona Search & Rescue: will meet sometime in July at the Emergency Operations Center in Phoenix (Papago Park). Call Helen Georges for more information at 1-967-1372.

## News

Congratulations to these people who have been elected officers of the Pima County Sherrif's Mounted Posse for 1981-82:

Capitan PAT CELLENTANO  
First Lieutenant GEORGE GREGORY  
Second Lieutenant TIM HIPLE, Sr.  
Secretary BILL PROUT  
Treasurer SKIP ARNET  
and one newly elected board member, JACK FRANKIN

Goodbye!!!!(sniff)

We wish to extend our great appreciation to Dolores and Andy Bartholomew for their tremendous support to Search&Rescue while they lived here. Andy decided that IBM was better suited to him in Huntington Beach, California. Future success to you, Andy!

And how can we forget Dolores (MOM) signing us in at base camp, and adding all the "comforts of home" to Rescue 3? May you have many new S&R experiences to write home about...Thank you from all of us!





# Public Relations

The Council is asked occasionally to give slide show talks to civic or business organizations. Contact Rich Kunz for details.

## Tracking

Guy or Sam Sagi will be teaching a series of tracking practices. The Council has agreed to buy five books, TRACKING: A Blueprint for Learning How, by Jack Kearney. This book was highly praised for its contents by Council members. After the books are purchased, they will be sold to interested members in any of the groups.

## Council Elections in June

### Temporary Vice President Appointed

Richard Thompson was appointed as the one-month replacement for Mykle Raymond as SARCI Vice President. Official voting for new Council members will take place at next month's meeting. ALL NEWLY APPOINTED COUNCIL REPS FROM EACH COMPONENT GROUP SHOULD BE SURE TO ATTEND! You vote once a year, and this will be the time.

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### The "Forgotten Victims"

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One of the things we pride ourselves upon is the level of professional empathic victim care which we render. While it is true that we give really first class care to the injured victim in the field, are we doing the whole job? If we do not render equivalent supportive care to the victim's family, have we not failed in our responsibility, as though we had left an injury untreated?

The psychological scarring that accompanies any trauma can be more devastating than the actual injury, and more widespread. Therefore, in our role of reducing injury, we must be ready to support these conditions as well. We should not treat the family simply as a resource bank, or an annoyance, left to be handled by already over-worked base camp group.

So, how should these folks be treated? Can we reasonably expect them to receive the needed support from either the operations leaders or the deputies? I think these people are entirely too busy to adequately comfort the parents, relatives and friends. Then whom?

Perhaps it is time that we set aside a trained group in "victim support." Just as we have technical people who naturally come into the fore when rock work is needed, our more empathic personnel should be encouraged to seek training in the equally demanding skills of compassion, and small group handling. Community resources should be explored, such as the vastly successful Victim Witness/Help On Call program, to see if they will make their training and expertise available to us, at least until we get our own group cross-trained. We are best equipped to lead the families and friends through the minefield of technical jargon and arcane skills that we use to provide care to their loved one.

If this is a challenge that we are ready to meet, I can see no other way that we can respond than to get on it NOW! What do you think?

by George Price

# First Aid

Any person from any group who wants to help out during a First Aid class should contact Rich Kunz at 886-2216, or Dave Brown at 622-1207. These classes can always use victims, but they can also use your support from "teaching assistance." You may bring up valid points and alternate methods, which round out the total instruction for students. Also, you become more familiar with emergency procedures (which is what Search & Rescue is all about). We need your support!

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This month, our cadettes are finishing up their Advanced First Aid course. In addition, all participants passed the American Heart Association CPR course. Our practical test was on Monday, May 4 and everyone performed excellently! By June, we will have five or six more field-qualified Search & Rescue personnell. Currently, all of Neotoma Squadron's field-qualified personnel hold Advanced First Aid or better, including six EMT's and one R.N.

## SQUADRON OF THE YEAR ★

This year, Neotoma Squadron finished in Second Place in the Arizona Wings Squadron of the Year competition.

Neotoma Squadron did finish in First Place in the Group I [Southern Arizona]. This is an unusual distinction for such a young unit. About 30 squadrons were judged state-wide; ten of these were in Group I.

## DIVERS: new rendezvous

The southern rendezvous area for the divers has been changed. If there is a callout south of town, meet at the A.J. Bayless parking lot at the corner of Ajo/Mission Roads. If you don't want to leave your cars parked in the parking lot, the Sikora's have offered their yard as an alternate site. Those who transport equipment or personnel should make a note of this change.

## New SARCI Representatives

The new SARA representatives for the Council are:

Rich Kunz  
Richard Thompson  
Jensine Park

and alternates include Loma Griffith, George Price, and Frances Walker

## Newsletter Update

If you know of anyone who would like to get on the NEWSLETTER mailing list, give Rich Kunz or Mykle Raymond the names and addresses so they may update this information. Also, if you want to be taken off the list, please let them know, too.



# SARCI INSURANCE

On Monday, April 23, the governor signed House Bill 2202, giving Workman's Compensation to all Arizona Search & Rescue members. The State Search and Rescue Association has worked long and hard on this project, and owes a special thank-you to Bob Barnett, publisher of the Arizona Search & Rescue News. This insurance coverage will not become effective for 90 days. More details will be given in future newsletters.

## Did you know?...

There is a country-wide law in Denmark requiring swimming pools to have isotonic saline in them. Drowning in these pools is not associated with the pulmonary complications resulting from fresh water swimming pool drownings in the United States. This is particularly true when it is remembered how many different chemicals, especially chlorine, are mixed in fresh water pools. Chlorine itself is damaging to the lung alveoli, and aggravates fresh water drowning in the U.S.

## CALLOUTS

Note: Dolores Bartholomew is moving, but will ACCEPT GAS RECEIPTS UNTIL JUNE 15. After June 15, a new person will be handling all gas receipt information. She must be cleared through Chuck McHugh first. This information will probably be passed along to you at your group meetings.

Please submit all receipts for reimbursable expenses to Dolores Bartholomew, 8032 E. Coronado Trail, Tucson AZ 85715, within 7 days of an operation. Receipts must include your name, mileage, number of gallons, and appropriate callout information. Reimbursable expenses include gasoline used during a callout, and items lost stolen or damaged. Items other than gasoline need a written description including age and how it was lost/damaged. REIMBURSEMENTS ARE ONLY AVAILABLE FOR SEARCHES AND/OR RESCUES, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.

### Date

### Situation

April 29

Limited call at 10:p.m. to investigate reported "screams for help at the north end of Swan/Pontatoc Ridge. A 15-year-old female was located at 11:p.m. through voice contact (responded to male voice, but could not hear a female voice). She had fallen and sustained head and sacrum injuries with multiple contusions/abrasions. A full callout followed.

April 29

Full callout at 11:p.m. to assist with fall victim, north end of Swan. Helicopters were unavailable; stokes litter was used for evacuation. The stokes had to be turned on its side three times because of vomiting victim. Mission ended at 2:a.m. the next morning. Later hospital reports indicated basal skull and sacral fractures.

May 2 Full callout at 9 a.m. for vehicle over the side of Mt. Lemmon Highway at M.P. 13.5. Call was cancelled before personnel rendezvoused because victims walked out on their own.

May 3 Full callout at 10:30 p.m. for the Mt. Lemmon Sawmill area, to search for a 15-year-old male who became separated from his family during a picnic. After an all-night search, a second call was initiated the next morning.

May 4 Second full callout to continue searching for missing 15-year-old. He was located by friends (after he phoned them) at the U-Totem on Escalante Road near Pantano. He said he "walked all night." [The distance between Escalante and the Sawmill is approximately 40 miles along the road.]

May 5 Divers: body recovery of an 18-year-old male who drowned in Patagonia Lake after falling or jumping from his boat, then attempting to swim to an island, about 3:30 p.m. His body was not located until 3:10 p.m. May 7, because of numerous crevasses in the irregular lake bottom.

May 10 Limited call at 9 p.m. for two 60-year-old men above Josephine Saddle in the Santa Ritas. One man had arthritis and leg cramps. Tubac Rural Fire personnel responded, but could not locate the men. Five SARA members were called and could not locate them, either. Old and new trails were covered. After investigating the report, it was assumed that the men hiked out on their own. The call ended about 3 a.m. May 11.

May 15 Full callout for male fall victim near "the crack" in Sabino Canyon. The victim was hoist-evacuated by the Davis-Monthan air rescue helicopter.

May 16 Stand-by search for two elderly men in Florita Canyon in the Santa Ritas. The stand-by was cancelled within the hour.

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