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Pima County Sheriff's Mounted Posse
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NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 1986

MEETINGS, PRACTICES & TRAININGS:

Regular meeting times and places: (see calendar for true ones)

CAP Mondays, 7:00 p.m. at ALETA, Trail's End.
SARA First Friday, 7:30 p.m., St. Mark's Presbyterian Church, 3809 E. 3rd St.
DIVERS First Sunday, 9:00 a.m.
SARCI Third Wednesday of July, Oct., Jan., and April, 7:30 p.m. at Coco's, 2990 N. Campbell.
POSSE Last Thursday, 7:00 p.m., FOP Lodge.

Other meetings, practices and trainings:

Sat. Feb. 01: SARA Training: Haul and Lowering Systems. Rendezvous 7:30 a.m. at Tanque Verde and Catalina Highway.

Sun. Feb. 02: Divers Training: Underwater Orienteering. Rendezvous 10:00 a.m. at Tanque Verde and Catalina Highway.

Mon. Feb. 03: CAP Cadet Meeting.

Fri. Feb. 07: SARA Potluck, Member Roast and General Meeting. See below.

Mon. Feb. 10: CAP Senior Staff Meeting.

Mon. Feb. 17: CAP ES Meeting: Basic Equipment and Basic Training Requirements.

Fri. Feb. 21: March newsletter goes to press. Call Darlene Schacht (299-2475 or 299-0651) with information for publication.

Sat. Feb. 22: 2nd Annual Tom DeGrood Shuffle. Rendezvous at 8:00 a.m. at Catalina Highway and Tanque Verde.

Mon. Feb. 24: CAP ES Meeting: Survival(??)

Tue. Feb. 25: Posse Board Meeting.

Thu. Feb. 27: Posse General Meeting.

Thu. Feb. 27: SARA Board Meeting at the Isersons.

Sat. Mar. 01: Stokes Team Derby. Rendezvous 9:00 a.m. at Tanque Verde and Catalina Highway. See below.

Fri-Sun. Mar. 7-9: SARA Basic Training. Prospective new trainees should call Nate Shechter (888-2014) to enroll for this weekend training.

SARCI NEWS:

The February SARA meeting will be an Awards/Roast and Potluck. Come and have fun roasting your favorite SARA member. Call Jim Gilbreath (792-0775) with your "roasting" nominations and ideas. To keep it simple for the potluck, bring a "fingerfood" to share - same time (7:30 p.m.), same place (St. Mark's).

Attention, SARA Trainees: If you've had your activity card for a year or more, please get it completed and turned in to the membership chairman. It's not necessary that the callout portion be all filled in due to the low level of callout activity over the past year.

Opportunities are abounding for those wishing to improve their rescue skills. "Haul and Lowering Systems" is the training set for February 1st at Windy Point. Rendezvous at 7:30 a.m. at Tanque Verde and Catalina Highway. Lots of people are needed and lots of practice is needed.

It's time to get in shape for the Second Annual Stokes Team Derby which will be held on March 1st. Call Nate (888-2014) with your 6-person team entry or for more info. All SARCI components are invited. Rendezvous will be at Tanque Verde and Catalina Highway at 9:00 a.m. But the time to plan is NOW.

The vertical rope practice held at DM on Jan. 11 was a great workout for the 21 people in attendance.

Mine rescue physicals are due NOW. Please contact Tom Faulkner (795-5884) for your form and names of doctors that offer free examinations.

Those of you wearing spirit pagers take note: If you have trouble with the battery door, avoid increasing tension on the side contact spring (the one that protrudes from the side of the door and contacts the circuit board). Excessive tension causes the door to tip and lose contact, and even worse, it rapidly wears the circuit board underneath. Replacement doors cost about \$10.00, a new circuit board about \$100.00. As with all pagers, keep the batteries and contacts clean. Use alcohol and a soft cloth (abrasives such as pencil erasers remove the plating). Avoid touching the ends of the batteries (skin oils cause corrosion).

SARA 1 now has more tech gear as well as ropes so it shouldn't be necessary to use personal gear. There are two equal haul system packs and inside each of the flaps is a list of what should be in each pack (so putting away the gear after a callout doesn't have to be done by the same few!). Similar tags will soon be in all boxes and packs.

CAP reports that Cluefinders International is giving an ELT course on Feb. 8 & 9 at the Emergency Operating Center at Papago Park in Phoenix. The cost is \$40.00 (\$10.00 to CAP members). To register, call Rick Goodman at 1-505-892-4272.

February 22 looks like a good day for a hike. It's time for the 2nd Annual Tom DeGrood Shuffle. Rendezvous at 8:00 a.m. at Catalina Highway and Tanque Verde.

A correction to last month's note re Diver's practice: The party after the training (Underwater Orienteering) will be held at the Lake at Castle Rocks. (not at Nate's house!) Bring a dish to share -- all SARCI members are welcome. Rendezvous at 10:00 a.m. at Tanque Verde and Catalina Highway.

CALL OUTS:

- 12/15/85 Lost 14 yr old in Tortolitas, found by hunter in the area. (7 people, 7hrs)
- 12/28/85 A delinquent 70 yr old reported missing in the Green Valley area, later found at friend's home. (12 persons, 17 hrs)
- 12/31/85 Fall victim with leg injury on Crab Corner at Windy Point. (22 persons, 107 hrs)
- 1/11.86 Four missing scouts in Saguaro Monument West, walked out before management team arrived. (5 persons, 5 hrs)
- 1/18/86 Report of stranded hikers on Razorback Ridge. No one found. (20 persons, 20 hrs)

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SUN	MON	TUES	WEDS	THURS	FRI	SAT
						1 SARA TRNG
2 DIVERS PRAC & PARTY	3 CAP CADET	4	5	6	7 SARA MTG & POTLUCK	8
9	10 CAP SENIOR	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 CAP ES	18	19	20	21	22 2ND ANNUAL TG SHUFFLE
23	24	25 POSSE BD	26	27 SARA BD POSS GEN	28	1 STOKES TEAM DERBY

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