

SEARCH & RESCUE COUNCIL, INC.

Southern Arizona Rescue Association
Pima County Sheriff's Mounted Posse
Civil Air Patrol Neotoma Squadron 109
Pima County Search & Recovery Divers

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NEWSLETTER APRIL 1986

MEETINGS, PRACTICES & TRAININGS:

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

CAP Sundays, 7:00 p.m., ranch house behind Elk's Lodge on River Rd.
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:

Fri. Apr. 04: SARA General Meeting--8:00 p.m.

Sun. Apr. 06: CAP--7:00 p.m.

Sun. Apr. 13: Fifth Annual Kidney Foundation Trail Ride. See Posse info below.

Sun. Apr. 13: Diver's Training at Amphi Pool: Rope Tow--9:00 a.m.

Sun. Apr. 13: CAP--7:00 p.m.

Wed. Apr. 16: SARCI--7:30 p.m.

Sun. Apr. 20: CAP--7:00 p.m.

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

Tue. Apr. 22: Posse Board Meeting.

Thu. Apr. 24: Posse General Meeting.

Thu. Apr. 24: SARA Board Meeting, location TBA after election.

Sun. Apr. 27: CAP--7:00 p.m.

Fri. May 02: SARA General Meeting--7:30 p.m.

Sat. May 03: SARA Search Practice. "Oh \$%&! What Do We Do Now?"

Sun. May 04: Divers--Practice Search at Patagonia Lake. Rendezvous at Houghton and Spanish trail at 8:30 a.m. or at trailer parking area of Lake at 9:15 a.m.

SARCI NEWS:

THE POSSE will be sponsoring the 5th Annual Kidney Foundation Trail Ride and Barbeque on Sunday, April 13th at Al Begley's place (the Margal Ranch). For more info call 624-3940.

NOTE TIME CHANGE: The annual SARA meeting on April 4th will begin at 8:00 p.m. (for this meeting only--other meetings will begin at 7:30, per usual). It's also time to elect a new board from the nominees that have been presented. In addition to those listed in the previous newsletter Francis Walker has also been nominated. According to the bylaws, only members who are field-qualified and current on dues may vote. Remember dues are considered late after the April meeting so save yourself the trouble and embarrassment of having your membership dropped by getting your check to Mary Lou Iserson.

THE SECOND ANNUAL STOKES DERBY was a great success with 30 people participating and the winning team completing in just under 7 minutes with an inch of water still left. The champion team members were: Walter Pickett, Mike Burkett, Stan Coldwell, Gary Copas, Dan Hibbert and Rick Sparrold. Did the junior team really beat the women's team? Next year this will be a statewide event. For those who ordered T-shirts, money will be due on April 4th (next SARA mtg).

TO CAP: Congratulations on a successful ELT search at DMAFB on March 16th. Was it true that it was a CAP Plane?

WELCOME ABOARD to the new trainees from the recent January and March SARA Basic Training classes: John Bangert, David Caulkins, Marie (Minta) Chandler, Chris Corcoran, Ed Dobberton, LeeAnn Dobberton, Michael Fraser, Rhonda Gabel, Nick Giacobbe, Debbie Hanks, Dave Huet, Carol Kennedy, Sheila King, Hawk Pierce, Rick Ramsey, Ivan Rayment, Lana Roddy, Len Swanson, Danny Wallace, Cathy Wasmann, Lisa Watkins, and Vince Wilson. Troy Brown and Chad Gilbreath will also be member-trainees when they have completed their First Aid. Also, Gary Copas, Karen Hanson, and Tom Mireles have been promoted from trainee to full membership status. Congratulations! Nate sends his thanks to all who helped with the Basic Training.

A REMINDER TO ALL SARA MEMBERS: You are not field-qualified if your First Aid has expired! It is the responsibility of each rescue member to keep this current if you intend to respond to callouts.

ANOTHER REMINDER: Even though we're enjoying nice weather at lower elevations, it's still cool in the mountains so keep those warmies in your pack. It could be embarrassing to be caught up there without them.

SARA BASIC SEARCH TRAINING: Anyone interested in attending the April training, please read (or reread) the following prior to the 12th: "Mountain Search and Rescue Techniques" by W.G. May, Chapters 12-13; Wilderness Search and Rescue by Setnicka, pages 33-107. The morning portion of the training will cover: knowing where you are, how far have you gone, clue orientation and tracking. Afternoon topics will be: determining probability of detection, what to do on a search, and management teams. Please bring writing materials, signal mirror, a measuring device, map, compass and your lunch. Rendezvous at the east end of Speedway at 7:30 a.m. on 12 April. If you plan to attend, RSVP to Jim Gilbreath (792-0775) or Nate Shechter (888-2014).

FROM THE COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE: Please do not call County Comm. and request a special test page to see if your pager is working as this disturbs more than forty others unnecessarily. If you suspect a problem, get your pager to our Committee as they have the equipment to test it for you. Friday 2:00 p.m. test pages will continue as usual.

GET IN SHAPE: It's not too early to start training for the 1st Annual Vertical Mile Foot Race coming up this fall for all MRA members. Competition will be based on travel from one selected destination to another covering one vertical mile and who knows how many horizontal miles carrying a pack with at least 1/4 of your body weight. More details to follow.

CALL OUTS:

- 2/28/86 Evacuation from auto accident at milepost 3-4 involving movie film crew. (23 people, 38 hrs).
- 2/28/86 Missing 18 yr old female became disoriented while painting in San Pedro Vista area. (14 people, 64 hrs)
- 3/08/86 Two overdue hikers in Catalina State Park became lost while going off trail, later found by a hiker in Montrose Canyon.
- 3/09/86 Assistance to two tired hikers in Ventana Canyon from Maiden Pools. (15 people)
- 3/09/86 Family of five overdue hikers in San Pedro Vista area. (15 people)
- 3/10/86 Body and evidence search in Gates Pass area. Located by news helicopter and verified by SARA member. (15 people, 55 hrs)
- 3/14/86 Management team sent in for possible overdue hunters SE of Corona de Tucson. (4 people, 12 hrs)
- 3/17-18/86 Search in Finger Rock-Pima Canyon area for missing (?) hikers. False report.

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SUN	MON	TUES	WEDS	THURS	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4 SARA GEN MTG	5
6 POSSE RIDE DIVERS CAP MTG	7	8	9	10	11	12 SARA TRNG
13 CAP MTG	14	15	16 SARCI MTG	17	18	19
20 CAP MTG	21	22 POSSE BD	23	24 POSSE GEN SARA BD	25	26
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