

# 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 JULY 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., Coco's, 2990 N. Campbell.  
POSSE Last Thursday, 7:00 p.m., Mountain Oyster Club.

## Other meetings, practices and trainings:

Sat. June 28: Swim Test Cancelled!!

Sun. July 06: CAP--Cadet Meeting.

Thu. July 10: Posse Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m. @ Arnco Corp., 4475 N. 1st Ave.

Fri. July 11: SARA General Meeting, 7:30 p.m. @ St. Mark's Presbyterian Church, 3809 E. 3rd St.

Sat. July 12: River Rescue Practice, rendezvous 7:00 a.m. @ Oracle & Magee.

Sun. July 13: Diver's Basic Training, 8:30 a.m. @ Amphi Pool.

Sun. July 13: CAP--Senior Meeting.

Wed. July 16: SARCI Meeting, 7:30 p.m. @ Coco's, 2990 N. Campbell.

Sat. & Sun. July 19-20: CAP--S & R Competition. No meeting on the 20th.

Wed. July 23: July newsletter goes to press. Call Darlene Schacht (299-2475 or 299-0651) or Karen Hansen (749-9007) with information for publication.

Thu. July 24: SARA Board Meeting @ 2202 Oak Park Drive, 7:30 p.m.

Thu. July 24: Posse General Meeting, 7:00 p.m. @ Mountain Oyster Club.

Sun. July 27: CAP--TBA.

Sat. Aug. 02: Diver's Night Recovery Practice, 7:00 p.m. at Tanque Verde and Catalina Highway.

Sat. Aug. 09: Cave practice, time and place TBA.

Sat. Sep. 06: Tanque Verde Falls Disaster and Orientation training.

Fri-Sun. Oct. 11-13: Diver's trip to Mexico.

## **SARCI NEWS:**

### **POSSE HAPPENINGS..**

The night practice with lights went well with a good turnout of riders. It was discovered that the lights had a limited value due to the casting of shadows in hilly and bushy terrain.

The program for the June meeting, presented by a local veterinarian, will be "First Aid for Horses".

The Posse now has 3 female members. And another "first"--a husband and wife posse team, Georgia and Howard Keefer. Welcome aboard.

The Posse took two 1st place trophies in the Catalina Memorial Day parade, one for "Best Meeting Group" and another for "Best Appearing Group". Congratulations.

### **DIVERS BASIC TRAINING...**

..will be held on Sunday, July 13, at Amphi Pool at 8:30 a.m. All SARCI members are welcome. Bring your own equipment.

Diver's will also hold a night search on August 2 at the Lakes at Castle Rock. Rendezvous at 7:00 p.m. at Tanque Verde and Catalina Highway.

### **CAP WILL REPRESENT AS..**

..in the Regional SAR in Waco, TX on July 19 & 20. Note: there will be no meeting on Sunday, the 20th.

CAP has acquired a 2nd vehicle, a 1975 Suburban. The 1967 Kaiser (4-wheel drive MASH-type ambulance) will probably be retired by the end of the summer and auctioned off by sealed bids.

### **NEW MAPS ...**

..of the Catalinas and Rincons using section #'s instead of the old alpha/numeric grid are available for purchase (\$2.50) from Treas. Mary Lou Iserson.

### **CAVE PRACTICE...**

..coming up on August 9th. Details to follow. Suggestions for the September SARA training are welcomed. Call Nate.

### **ANOTHER APA CLASS...**

..will be offered in late July. Contact the American Red Cross if you want to be included.

### **AMONG THE MISSING...**

..are 3 carabiners from the SARA 1 tech kit. Are they hiding in the bottom of your pack??

### **OUR BASIC SEARCH AND RESCUE MANUAL...**

..is being rewritten. If you can contribute ideas and/or time, call Jim Gilbreath.

### **WATCH WHERE YOU SEND IT!!**

All SARA business conducted by mail should be sent to P.O. Box 12892, Tucson 85732-2892. Please do NOT send it to the above SARCI address as this only slows down the process.

### **QUALIFIED INSTRUCTORS...**

..are needed to present our SARA Basic to a group at the Navaho National Health Foundation (about 50 mi west of Window Rock). Plans are to depart Friday noon and return on Sunday evening with tentative date set for the weekend of August 9th (backup date the following weekend). Call Bob Birkett if you're interested and available.

### **SWIM TEST CANCELLED...**

..as Nate's gone fishing this weekend. But the River Rescue practice is still on as scheduled with rendezvous at Oracle and Magee at 7:00 a.m. on July 12. A great way to cool off and also get some good practical experience for monsoon season.

### **ONLY 90 TRAINING DAYS LEFT..**

..until the October Vertical Mile Climb. If you want to join Jim Gilbreath's training sessions, give him a call.

### **NOTE CHANGE OF DATE..**

The July SARA General meeting will be held on July 11th instead of the usual first Fri., same time & place. The program will be "It's 'Knot' So Funny, Is It?"

### **TWO DOGGIE BONES...**

..and four SARA cookies were awarded at the last meeting. Attending the meetings is the only way to find out who the recipients are. (But we can all guess who got the oversized one.)

### **KUDOS TO..**

..the National Automobile Charitable Foundation for the full size CPR manikin with monitoring lights and all. And to Karen Hansen for her efforts and connections.

..Nate Shechter, Rich Kunz and Walter Pickett for another good training. The night search exercise in the Tucson Mts. was great practice for the 26 participants.

..Rick Ramsey, Lucy and Dixie for the presentation on search dogs at the last SARA mtg.

..to Tony Erringer, Ken Chaney and Steve Smith for manning the SARA van at the Outdoor Show at El Con mall.

..to Dan Hibbert, Tom Mireles, Minta Chandler, Loma Griffith, Bob Birkett, Frances Kunz, Rich Kunz, Norm Hosterman, John Bangert, Carol Kennedy, Dave Huet, Karen Hansen, Tom Zawada, Danny Wallace, Leonard Swanson and Darlene Schacht for assisting Nate with the recent SARA Basic.

**SIX REASONS FOR WEARING YOUR ORANGE SHIRT ON CALLOUTS:**

1. Group identification--you're part of a professional outfit.
2. Law enforcement will allow (and assist) you to get to the rescue site.
3. The helicopter will not mistaken you as the victim. It also helps to direct the helicopter team as to where we're searching.
4. Other SARA members won't tell you to get lost.
5. You will not be mistaken for the prime-time rapist. Do not search in camouflage clothing near houses or in urban areas.
6. When the victim is found or rescued it gives a feeling of confidence and makes him/her feel as though s/he is surrounded by professionals.

**ONE REASON FOR NOT WEARING YOUR ORANGE SHIRT ON CALLOUTS:**

1. If you wore it the day before and didn't get a chance to wash it.



HUG-A-TREE PRESENTERS ARE APPRECIATED....

2/10/86

Dear "Hug-A-Tree Presenter",

Thank you for coming to our school. I really liked the slides and I'm glad that you found the lost kids. I hope my mom will call you if I get lost, but I hope I never get lost.

Your friend,  
Daniel Jones  
Mrs. Biggers' 1st grade

This is just one of many warm acknowledgments from the young people who are reached by our Hug-A-Tree (Snuggle-a-Saguaro??) program.



**CALL OUTS:**

The Posse held a 2 day mounted limited search for clues regarding the missing cyclist. 15 persons.

- #39 6/01/86 Night search for two overdue hikers in Rose Canyon. 20 people, 60 hrs.
- #40 6/09/86 Divers body recovery of 35 and 44 yr old male drowning victims in Pena Blanca Lake. 11 people, 159 hrs.
- #41 6/11/86 26 yr-old male suicide attempt @ milepost 3, Catalina Highway. 24 people, 44 hrs.
- #42 6/15/86 Divers body recovery of 26 yr old male drowning victim in Pena Blanca Lake. 9 people, 79 hrs.
- #43 6/18/86 Night search for two missing SAHC hikers (58 yr old female & 64 yr-old male) in Mt. Lemmon/Sabino Canyon area. 17 people, 120 hrs.
- #44 6/19/86 Continuation of previous night. Lost hikers walked into Alpine Lodge. 15 people, 109 hrs.
- #45 6/21/86 Night search for two overdue hikers (14 and 40 yr-old males) hiking from Mt. Lemmon to Sabino Basin. 13 people, 78 hrs.

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SUN	MON	TUES	WEDS	THURS	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
				POSSE BD		
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
CAP MTG					SARA GEN MTG	RIVER RESCUE PRAC
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
CAP MTG DIVERS BASIC			SARCI MTG			CAP S & R COMP
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
CAP S & R COMP				SARA BD POSSE GEN		
27	28	29	30	31		
CAP MTG						

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