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FROM THE EDITORS

Congratulations to Bob Siegel KD7AQQ on his new ham license! He and Doris KC7AQ will have to listen carefully for which of them is being called! Almost as similar as Cathy N7MCK and Fr.Mike N7CK!

Anyone with questions about radios is welcome to wander by early to any SARA meeting (say 18:30 to 19:00). We will probably talk about suitable radios for use with SAR, or what accessories are useful and which are not needed, or how to set them up and what parts of the manual are not needed, or how to make good use of them. What we really talk about depends upon your curiosity. If you let us know beforehand, we may even bring goodies to share. Holler at Mykle, 795-2303.

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Pam Phillips, 325-4338

SRDI CALENDAR

- Training: Urban Work** 09:00 Sun, Mar 08
Meet at the Terry's house.
- Combined Monthly Meeting** 18:30-22:00 Wed, Mar 11
Sheriff Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy
- Basic Training:** 18:30-22:00 Wed, Mar 18
Sheriff Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy
- Training: Box Canyon** 08:00 Sat, Mar 28
Meet at Houghton & I-10
- Combined Monthly Meeting** 18:30-22:00 Wed, Apr 08
Sheriff Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy
- Basic Training:** 18:30-22:00 Wed, Apr 22
Sheriff Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE TO WEDNESDAY INSTEAD OF THURSDAY. THE COMBINED MONTHLY MEETING WILL BE HELD ON THE SECOND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH.

As SRDI celebrates their 5th anniversary this month, the group wants to thank EVERYONE who has been a part of our development over the years!!!! We continue to have fun as we're learning and training . . . that's what it is all about!

SEARCH AND RESCUE COUNCIL

Pager Points

All people that are using a SARCI provided pager are requested to provide a new pager authorization letter, available from Bill Kelleman. Copies may also be available within your own group (Pam for SRDI?, Dan for Posse?)

Inactive people that have a SARCI owned pager are requested to make it available for re-issue. We have a limited supply of these pagers, more people ask for one than are available. You are welcome to pick up a pager on your own, and it can be added to the group for general pages.

PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

by Jerry Simmons, 293-2300

POSSE CALENDAR

- Posse Board Meeting** 19:00 Thu. Mar 12
Larry Caugh's residence
- Posse General Meeting** 19:00 Thu. Mar 26
Sheriff Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy

Public Relations - Dec. 1997, Thanks to Austin Boosted and Bob Siegal for the Christmas food delivered to Safford, Arizona (on a spur of the moment back-up to replace what a plane crash took out).

The Posse braved the weather to ride in the Rodeo Parade. Had 13 Posse members there. Most of them also braved the knee deep mud to ride in the Grand Entry.

Training: After February the Posse will take off with upgrade medical and field training.

Personal Notes: Austin has decided to join Frank Dearden in the support of our local hospital. Best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Bob Siegal had a break-in at his home. Broke his front door, set off his alarm, must have scared his dog to death. However, nothing was missing and it was determined the burglar was also riding a bicycle! Pay attention to who's riding bikes in your neighborhood.

Till next month, Respectfully, Jerry S.

PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

by Doug Myrvold

DIVER'S CALENDAR

March Training: CAP Canal TBA, Sun Mar 08
TBA
April Training: Patagonia Lake 08:00, Sun Apr 12
Meet at the Kunz's

TUCSON COMPOSITE SQUADRON, C.A.P.

by 1lt Darell New, 290-9501

No report, must be out flying.

SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSN.

SARA CALENDAR

General Meeting 19:30 Fri Mar 06
Program: Snakes, scorpions and the like. What to look for when treating in the field, up-to-date treatment approach.
Presenter: John Ream, AirCare Flight Nurse
March Training: Trucks'n'Stuff 09:00 Sat Mar 21
El Camino del Cerro Trailhead
Board Meeting 19:30 Thu Mar 26
U of A Farms (mobile classroom, south of bleachers)
SARA ANNUAL PotLuck 18:30 Fri Apr 03
Marshall Auditorium, Tucson Medical Center
SARA ANNUAL Meeting 20:00 Fri Apr 03
Marshall Auditorium, Tucson Medical Center
April Training: Mine Rescue TBA Sat Apr 18
Sphinx Cave, Chiricahua Mountains
Field Skills Recertification 08:00 Sat Apr 25
Himmel Park, NW Corner, 1st St. & Tucson Blvd.

MARCH TRAINING

Truck and Equipment, Base Camp and Stokes Handling
by Mykle Raymond and Karl Fisher

Meet at El Camino del Cerro Trailhead, if Saguaro Park doesn't object. It's at the west end of the road, from the I-10 Interchange for Ruthrauff and El Camino del Cerro. This is the Sweetwater Trailhead, leading to Wasson Peak.

The trucks have been reorganized. This training will instruct members on how to find equipment in the trucks. Also do you know how to run base camp? Everybody should. Learn how the radios and phone in the trucks work. Also what paper work needs to be filled out and what support needs to be provided to people in the field. We will work on stokes handling. The mechanics of moving the stokes basket on or off the trail and medical concerns when packaging the patient and transporting them in the stokes.

APRIL TRAINING Cave Rescue Training

by Tom Faulkner

Where Sphinx Cave in Chiricahua Mountains.
When Saturday, April 18, time TBA.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINATIONS

The following slate of names was presented by the Nominating Committee at the February General Meeting:

Doug Marcoux Sr.	Richard Kunz	Pam Phillips
John Perchorowicz	Shannon Reilly	Henry Jacobs
Monte Richardson	Frances Walker	Jim Gilbreath

Nominated from the floor: Leroy Kehl

Nominations will be opened again at the March General Meeting. Voting will occur at the April Annual Meeting.

Note: To be eligible to cast your vote, you must be a full member or support member of SARA and fully field qualified (Medical, CPR, and Field Skills certifications up to date.)

SARA MEDICAL COMMITTEE

by Wendy Niehaus, 751-9608

Next Medical Committee Meeting is March 8th at 18:30 in the Rincon Room, Alamo Bldg, TMC.

MEMBERSHIP

by Mary Lamb, 743-7175

A new batch of people are starting the SARA candidate program. They have had an introduction to Search and Rescue and have hiked up Ventana Canyon. Basic I will be Thursday, April 16 at Sheriff Substation 106 followed by Basic II on Saturday, April 25 at Catalina State Park. The OEC class started Feb 24. The candidates (EMT and higher) who are not taking the OEC class are required to attend the Saturday OEC classes to get some experience performing their medical skills in a wilderness environment. Please call Pam Phillips, 325-4338, OEC Instructor of Record, for dates and times of the Saturday classes.

The next opportunity to join SARA will be Tuesday, August 11. The Introduction to Search and Rescue will be given that night with a hike the following Saturday, August 15. Times and locations to be announced.

YOU ARE INVITED

by Andy Lamb, 743-7175

Joe and Betty Harris are planning a backpack trip in the Galiuro Mountains during Pima College's Spring Break. They are planning a 3 to 4 day trip with a stop at Powers Garden. It is a good time to get a orientation of the Galiuro Mountains. We assisted in a search last year in the Deer Creek area. Tentative dates are March 19-23. Contact Joe and Andy Lamb if interested.

CALLOUT REVIEWS

by Andy & Mary Lamb, 743-7175 amlamb@compuserve.com

	Data Summary	
Reporting Period:	01 Jan - 28 Feb	Callouts: 13
SARCI People:	Total Hours:	Hours/Person:
		Calls/Week:
Reporting Period:	25 Jan - 28 Feb	Callouts: 9
SARCI People:	Total Hours:	Hours/Person:

TUE 27 JAN CALL 98.??? Rescue of 35-year-old female with a knee injury when she fell off a horse on the south access trail to Bear Canyon. Initial reports suggested rendezvous at the north end of Sabino Canyon Road but the best access was at the north end of Bear Canyon Road. The victim had a short ride out of the field in a stokes.
?? people, ?? hours

WED 28 JAN CALL 98.??? Search and Recovery Divers were called to Patagonia Lake to search for a 42-year-old male who fell out of a boat he and a companion were fishing from Tues. night. His companion had enough state of mind to mark to the position where the victim fell in. The divers responded the next morning. Divers started their sweeps from the marked position and on the second sweep located the body.
?? people, ?? hours

SAT 31 JAN CALL 98.??? Rescue of a 65 year old male fall victim, Montrose Canyon, Catalina State Park. The victim was hiking with family members when he tumbled and slid about 35 feet. The scene was near the stream at the bottom of Montrose Canyon, next to the end of the dirt road we use to get to the Romero Trail. Ranger 38 landed near where we normally park vehicles. Teams arrived shortly after and placed the victim on a backboard. The stokes was used for the short evacuation to the waiting helicopter.
?? people, ?? hours, R38

SUN 01 FEB CALL 98.??? Rescue of a ?? year old male climber with an isolated ankle injury on the Lobo climb near Windy Point in the Santa Catalina Mountains. The victim got about 6 feet above his last protection when he fell and sustained the ankle injury. Two haul systems were set up from the road to bring the victim up in the Stokes basket.
?? people, ?? hours, MLFD, RM??

SAT 07 FEB CALL 98.??? Body recovery of a 35-year-old male at milepost 5.5 on the Redington Road. The victim was involved in a one car accident when he missed a turn and went over the side. A team walked the stokes the short distance to the road.
?? people, ?? hours

SUN 15 FEB CALL 98.??? Search for a 21-year-old male who tried to rescue a friend's dog that went into the water above the main falls at Tanque Verde Falls. The victim was hiking with three friends and two dogs. The victim was reported to have gone over two smaller falls before going over the main falls. The dog's body, which the victim tried to save, was found in the pool of the main falls. Teams searched below the main falls before nightfall. The victim's dog was kept at the top of the main falls by a bystander and a team was sent to the top of the main falls to bring the dog back to base camp. Ranger 38 responded initially and was unable to locate the victim.
?? people, ?? hours, R38

MON-THR 16-19 FEB CALL 98.??? Continuation of the search for the 21 year old male at Tanque Verde Falls. Each day teams searched the stream for signs of the victim. Several rainstorms came through the area during the search. The victims family and friends also searched. Teams concentrated between the base of the Main Falls and the SARA Trail. A couple of teams came up stream from the Wentworth crossing to the SARA Trail. A U.S. Customs helicopter participated, as did Ranger 38. On Thursday before noon a friend spotted the body about two miles down stream from the base of the Main Falls.
?? people, ?? hours, U.S. Customs, R38

MON 16 FEB CALL 98.??? Search for two overdue backpackers in Sabino Basin. They left Friday from Catalina State Park for an overnight hike, planning to come out at the Sabino Canyon Visitor Center on Saturday night. They camped high in West Fork, but Saturday morning they could not find the trail in the snow. They called a friend by cell phone, advising that they would not be out till Sunday afternoon. Sunday evening the friend contact the Sheriff's Office. The U.S. Customs helicopter diverted from the Tanque Verde search and spotted a camp site near Hutch's Pool. Monday morning, two Posse teams started from the Prison Camp and one from Catalina State Park. Hikers west of Pine Creek Crossing had seen individuals matching the description of the two backpackers, who were headed down trail in good condition about an hour earlier. They continued down the Phonline Trail, avoiding a team at the end of the road, and met the Bear Canyon Tram at the trailhead.
?? people, ?? hours, U.S. Customs

SUN 22 FEB CALL 98.??? Rescue of two people above the road at Bear Canyon Campground. The initial report stated that these were hikers, and one had a broken leg. TJ started up from the road below the victims while Rescue 332 continued up the road to be above the victims at about MP 12.5. It turns out that the victims had been in a van with electrical problems which rolled off the road. The victims were able to walk about 200' up to the road. Eventually, TJ made it up to the road too. As a precaution a MEDS unit transported the victims to TMC.
?? people, ?? hours, MLFD

THR 26 FEB CALL 98.??? Investigation of a strong odor in a mine shaft, west side of the Sierrita Mtns near the WinterHaven Ranch. Tailings provided a level area around the shaft, so a truck was used for an anchor so the deputies could lean out over the shaft. An oxygen meter was lowered, and it did not complain, and the rope length measured the depth at 90'. Nothing could be seen at the bottom. A movie camera was tied to the rope with a couple of flashlights, and lowered while filming. That exercise was repeated, again without seeing anything interesting.
?? people, ?? hours.

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Meet 4th Thu 19:00
Sheriff Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy

SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

P.O.Box 12892, Tucson AZ 85732-2892
Meet 1st Fri 19:30, St. Mark's Church, 3809 E. 3rd St.

PIMA COUNTY SEARCH AND RECOVERY DIVERS

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Meet 2nd Sun 09:00, details inside.

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Meet each Sun 18:00, Building 3220, DMAFB

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS

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