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FROM THE EDITORS

Congratulations to Jack Walton's new ham license: KD7CHW. We're looking forward to more people from Melody's class.

SEARCH AND RESCUE COUNCIL

The prototype SARCI web site is up and running. We need people to use it and offer comments. We also need people interested in keeping it updated. Email addresses for comments are available on the site.

PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

by Jerry Simmons, 293-2300

POSSE CALENDAR

Posse Board Meeting 19:00 Thu. Aug 13

Sheriff Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy

Gymkhana Sat. Aug 15

"Old" South Winds Arena

Posse General Meeting 19:00 Thu. Aug 27

Sheriff Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy

It's been boring. Search and Rescue for the Posse has slowed down. Our Gymkhana is moving along real well. No training schedule has been set.

Our training took on a new meaning for me Sunday the 19th of July when I went to Queens Well for the search for the 50 year old Indian cowboy. What I witnessed, while on the search with eleven other Indian cowboys, showed me just how valuable the Posse field training is. Five minutes into the field and I lost everyone but two searchers! That became a full time job! No way could I organize the other nine. They took off and out of sight within 5 minutes after hitting the saddle. I must be spoiled after working with all the trained people in SARA. (That's okay Jerry, two quads were quick to vanish from the end of the line search, then they lost each other!)

However: the heart these cowboys displayed was second to none. This was their friend, relative and fellow tribesman. Maybe I'd do the same thing under the same guidelines. They did show up in force. I'm proud that I was a little part of it anyway, as well as Joe Beckman and Larry Caugh and a lot of SARA personnel. No luck on the find but at least we helped!

Respectfully, Jerry Simmons

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Pam Phillips, 325-4338

SRDI CALENDAR

Training: Water Search 06:00 Sun, Aug 02

Meet at Brown's Tucson residence, location TBA.

Business Meeting 19:00-21:00 Wed, Aug 05

Sheriff Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy

General Meeting 19:00-21:00 Wed, Aug 12

Sheriff Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy

Training: Tracking, Marshall Gulch 07:00 Sun, Aug 23

Sheriff Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy

Congratulations to Jennifer Johnson and Sugar Bear and Janelle Wilt and Vader. Both handlers have moved into the member category with SRDI, having completed our candidacy program. Vader and Sugar Bear continue training that will lead to their certification, hopefully within the next six months.

Made a gear upgrade...ready to sell. 1968 one person 14'0" fiberglass kayak with new skirt. Aesthetically homely but structurally sound. \$150.00. Contact Pam.

PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

by Doug Myrvold

DIVER'S CALENDAR

August Training:

Due to excessive numbers of members on vacation or otherwise unavailable, there will be no August Training.

We will attempt to have a Board Meeting during the month to discuss the Maricopa Dive Seminar occurring near the end of September.

TUCSON COMPOSITE SQUADRON, C.A.P.

by 1lt Darell New, 290-9501

No report, must be out flying.

SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSN.

SARA CALENDAR

- SARA General Meeting** 19:30 Fri Aug 07
Program: Special needs of pediatric "clients"
- August Training: Night Search** 17:00 Sat Aug 15
Meet at Oracle and Magee
- SARA Board Meeting** 19:30 Thu Aug 27
U of A Farms (mobile classroom, south of bleachers)
- SARA General Meeting** 19:30 Fri Sep 04
Program: Tanque Verde Falls, history and SAR introduction
- OEC Refresher** 08:00 Sat Sep 12
Himmel Park, NW corner
- September Training: Tanque Verde Falls TBA** Sat Sep 19
Meet at "106", Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy.

MEETING PROGRAMS

by Pam Phillips, 218-5242

- Oct 2: Basic map & compass
Nov 6: Information you need if you're going underground.
Dec 4: Looking toward 1999 and the MRA conference

AUGUST TRAINING

Search Management/ Night Search

Contact: Ron Arrington, Jim Gilbreath

When: 17:00 Saturday, August 15

Where: Catalina State Park

Meet at Oracle and Magee (main parking lot, south-east corner). This training is of particular importance because it pertains to the majority of our callouts. People will need their SARA packs, and be prepared to search at night for a lost hiker. The training will cover basic orienteering, clue awareness, and night search.

Also, the week before the training we will have a classroom session on search management. A page will notify everyone when and where the classroom session will be. It is not necessary to attend the classroom session in order to come to the training but it is recommended. Come out for training, it should be a great time.

BASIC TRAINING REVIEW

by Rich White

Congratulations to the following candidates who have completed Basic 4, even in the midst of a search at Rose Canyon Lake and a later night search for two "lost" blondes: Josh Poles, Pat McHugh, Paul Gilbert, Dave Gladish, Jurgen Seidel, Shawn Babbit, Rob Offerle, Aleck MacKinnon, Karmin Laramie, Don Carrol, Michael Waterman and Marci Robledo. Also thanks to the SARA members who came out to help in this training: Andy Lamb, Bill Kelleman, Dale Mann, Mykle Raymond, Shannon Riley, and Wendy Niehaus. A special thanks to Pam Phillips for her help and the great fried chicken that she supplied to the crew.

JULY TRAINING REVIEW

by Bill Graff

The River rescue training was canceled last month due to a search at Queens Well west of Tucson. The training has been rescheduled for July of 1999.

We may have an impromptu callout for training when the rivers rise to interesting levels.

OEC INFORMATION

by John Gorski 744-9190

The Fall OEC Class will begin on Aug. 25th. Anyone interested in assisting please call Monte Richardson, 323-5198 or John Gorski, 744-9190.

The Instructor refresher is scheduled Saturday Aug. 29th from 8 to 5 in the Fireplace room at TMC.

The SARA refresher will be held at Mehl Park, Saturday Sept 12th from 8 to 5. We are hoping to have the study guide available at the August meeting for distribution. The OEC Task Force is looking to build participants, if interested contact Monte or John.

Building/Fund Raising Committee Report

by John Perchorowicz 529-0080 rct2jtp@aol.com

The Building Fund is at \$7000.

SHIRT NAME TAGS

by Dale Mann, 325-9958

If you need name tags for your orange shirt, contact Dale Mann. The tags are \$3.50 each MUF (Money Up Front).

MEMBERSHIP

by Mary Lamb, 743-7175

Candidate Program

The next opportunity to join SARA is August 18th. That is the date of the SARA orientation that will be held from 18:30 to 22:00 in the Tumbleweed Room in Marshall Auditorium at TMC. Potential candidates will be given an orientation about who we are, what we do, and what is expected of members. If the individual is still interested after finding out about us, they fill out an application and pay the application fee (\$35). Then they are required to go on a hike with us on Saturday, August 22th. If they still want to be candidates the OEC course begins August 25th. If after the hike they decide that SARA is not for them we will cheerfully return their application fee.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

by Wendy Niehaus, 751-9808, wniehau@azstarnet.com>

In the June Newsletter I informed you all that I would be trying to update the membership of current motions and policy changes discussed at the Board Meetings, as well as letting you know the up-coming agenda items for the next Board Meeting. As you probably already noticed...they were missing in July's Newsletter! Andy, Mary, and Mykle are VERY efficient at getting the newsletter out on time, and needless to say I got the information to Mykle a little too late to make the July mailing...sorry about that. So here is a catch-up on what happened at the June and July Board Meeting, also what is on the agenda for the August Meeting.

JUNE BOARD MEETING

Motions Passed

1. Any time SARA is doing medical standby, the group requesting our service must first provide a certificate of Insurance naming SARA as an additional insured. This must also including the specific time frame that SARA will provide that service and the limits of liability must not be less than \$250,000.00.
2. Jim Gilbreath will do drawings of Craycroft Property and be paid \$150.00 once drawings are completed.

Policy Discussed

The Board decided that Blood-borne pathogen would be included at all OEC Courses and refreshers. In addition the Board at this time will not mandate that training be done annually to maintain field qualified, however they all agree to **HIGHLY** suggest that members do annual training.

The Board did not feel that a back-up Medical Director required a vote because it is mandated by state EMS laws.

JULY BOARD MEETING

Motions Passed

1. The following list of people were presented by Tom Faulkner (Treasurer) as not having paid their dues and have subsequently been dropped from membership:

Rosa Aldahondo	Kurt Anderson	Danny Andres	Angela Auerbach
Kim Auerbach	Carolyn Aulds	Brandon Beavers	Michael Berger
Jeff Bonneville	Greg Brannan	Cindy Brocious	Dan Brocious
Paul Burkhardt	Sue Burtzloff	Peter Chen	William Correll
Michael Craig	Jesse Daniels	Helen Deluga	Harry Findysz
Karen Fiore	Rich Gerhauser	Jim Gillis	Edward Gray
Cynthia Guare	Wally Huynh	Rob Jarvis	Chris Johnston
Jerry Johnston	LeRoy Kehl	Edward Kirkby	Walter Mann
Robert Mason	Jeanne Mayer	Joe Michel	Robert Milsap
Jeff Mooney	Kiyomi Morino	Bob Muzzy	Doug Neely
Trish O'Lowney	David Olson	Alisha Parsley	Tracy Perkins
Michael Pipes	Torrey Riches	Jeremy Roggow	Kent Saucedo
Janine Schroeder	Chris Schultz	Jay Shepherd	John Sims
Mina Safford	Larry Thompson	Dale Woolridge	

Policy Discussed

At the recommendation of Monty Richardson and John Gorski, the Board concurred to limit the OEC Course to once a year instead of twice a year, pending the agreement of the OEC Task Force.

At the April Board Meeting the Board stated that candidates could not be sent into the field alone. Since that time many members have had questions about what qualifies "alone" and what are the different levels of candidacy allowed to do in the field. In response to this, Andy Lamb (Membership Advocate) presented a formal clarification of use of Candidate Trainees in Field Operations. I felt it important to include in the newsletter, because OFTEN people have questions about what candidates can and can't do in the field....so here it is! (thanks Andy ☺)

Description: SARA uses a candidate program to bring new people in to the group. Candidates are encouraged to attend SAR Operations to become familiar with how the organization functions. The candidate participation on Search and Rescue operations is limited.

Purpose: Define candidate participation limitations on Search and Rescue operations.

Definitions:

Member A SARA member who has been approved by the SARA Board of Directors for full membership.

Candidate-1 (C1) Candidate who has been accepted by the Board for SARA Membership.

Candidate-2 (C2) A Candidate-1 who has completed BasicII.

Candidate-3 (C3) A Candidate-2 who has completed BasicIV.

Policy:

A C1 may not participate on Search and Rescue operations.

A C2 can only be assigned to a field team that has a Member as the team leader.

A C3 may be assigned to a field team that has a C3 as the team leader. (Team leaders will normally be Members.)

Candidates are required to be field qualified to participate on Search and Rescue operations. Candidates are required to maintain their field qualification just as Members are required with the exception that C2's do not have a field skills qualification.

Notes about field-qualified people: (from existing policies)
C2's have a "candidate field qualification"

C3's have a field skills qualification valid for one year.

Members have a field skills qualification valid for three years.

AUGUST BOARD MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

1. Clarification on SARA's Policy regarding other SARCI group members participating in SARA trainings.
2. Revisions to Truck Driver Policy.



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CALLOUT REVIEWS

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

Data Summary

Reporting Period: 01 Jan – 28 July	Callouts: 69
SARCI People: 835	Total Hours: 3577
	Hours/Person: 4.3
	Calls/Week: 2.3
Reporting Period: 27 June – 28 July	Callouts: 13
SARCI People: 105	Total Hours: 666
	Hours/Person: 6.3

SUN 05 JUL CALL 98.059 ?? year old female missing from a group hiking on the Mt. Lemmon Trail. She returned to their lunch spot to find a scarf and became disoriented on her return. She walked the powerline road several times before being found by a deputy as we were at rendezvous. Rendezvous only

TUE 07 JUL CALL 98.060 River Rescue patrol on the eastside. People were being reported stranded in runoff. One team checked the New Tucson area south of Vail, and another monitored activity from 106.
13 people, 29 hours.

FRI 10 JUL CALL 98.061 A injured ?? year old male hiker was reported in Rattlesnake Canyon at 02:00 hrs. The reportee last saw his companion about 14:30 hrs, stating that the subject had twisted his ankle and was unable to walk. The reportee took 12 hours to get out, describing quite an ordeal (snakes, javelina, etc.). Ranger 38 located the patient near the Mt. Miguel saddle a short distance up the Esperero Trail. Ranger was able to land, pickup the patient, and return to TMC. The patient had little or no injuries.
9 people, 9 hours, R38 RMFD

FRI 17 JUL CALL 98.062 The posse was requested for a search west of Queen's Well for a missing 54 year old cowboy. The cowboy was last seen about 09:00 Thursday morning while on a roundup with other cowboys. Two posse members searched in the afternoon.
3 people, 33 hours, R38

SAT 18 JUL CALL 98.064 Continuation of the search for the missing cowboy near Queen's Well. Foot teams line searched for 3½ miles, south of a road running west from Queen's Well to the area where the cowboy was last seen.
13 people, 115 hours, R38

SUN 19 JUL CALL 98.065 Continuation of the search for the missing cowboy near Queen's Well. Foot teams line searched north of the road. A posse member searched with people on horseback. Still no sign of the cowboy.
9 people, 76 hours, R38

SAT 18 JUL CALL 98.063 Divers were called to Parker Canyon Lake for a ?? year old male who disappeared while trying to swim Saturday afternoon. The divers arrived Sunday morning. The victim's body was found a short distance from shore near where the victim was last seen. The dog team also participated in the search.
9 people, 113 hours

SUN 19 JUL CALL 98.066 Search for 36 and 38 year old brothers overdue on a hike to Seven Falls. Ranger 38 searched the lower canyon, then continued upstream and spotted a cigarette lighter flash near Sycamore Reservoir.

Foot and Posse teams walked in from the Prison Camp. The brothers had hiked up Sabino to Pine Creek, and up the East Fork past the Bear Canyon Trail. They were a little tired and wet but made good time back to the Prison Camp.
12 people, 50 hours, R38

WED 22 JUL CALL 98.067 Search for two 30 year old females overdue on a hike in the Sabino Canyon area. The two missed a dinner date Tuesday evening with the sister of one of them, who located their car at the Visitor's Center.

We were called out at 03:00. Teams covered the usual trails, starting up Seven Falls, Sabino Canyon, and in from the Prison Camp. Nothing was found on trail, upstream from Hutch's Pool, or in the bottom of Sabino between Anderson Dam and Pine Creek Crossing. A major thunderstorm then caught many teams. It was a treat to see everything running.

The girls caught up with a team near the top of the switchbacks at the end of the road in Sabino at about 11:30. They rode the tram up Sabino and talked to the tram operator about a pool a short distance up trail. They made it to Hutch's pool and continued up the West Fork, thinking they were on a loop that would return to the parking lot. An hour and a half later at dark they met some teenage campers who gave the girls some food and a tent and a sleeping bag. The girls had a restful night and the teenagers hiked them back to Hutch's Pool and gave the girls direction on how to get out.

Sabino was running well over the crossings by the time vehicles started down from the end of the road, stranding SARA-1 and two other vehicles for five hours. One team hiked six miles down the Phoneline Trail, then across a dry Bear Creek, saving a couple hours of waiting. We couldn't talk the Posse into delivering pizza to those waiting!
21 people, 217 hours

THU 23 JUL CALL 98.068 Swift Water Rescue, along Silverbell Road west of Marana (one way to Cindy Coping's). A deputy Scott was able to help the stranded motorist as water receded and was "Code 4" by the time we got to rendezvous.
12 people, 12 hours

FRI 24 JUL CALL 98.069 3 year old boy missing overnight on Mt Graham, and found while we were enroute.
4 people, 12 hours

SUN 26 JUL CALL 98.??? Three people missing overnight near Riggs Lake on Mt Graham. R38 spotted the people nearby shortly before our members got into the field.
?? people, ?? hours, R38

TUE 28 JUL CALL 98.??? "Signal lights" were reported above the north end of Alvernon at 03:45. Ranger 38 found two climbers on the cliff above Finger Rock Spring, who appeared to be okay, then a foot team made voice contact. They say they climb at night to avoid the heat, and will leave a note on their cars in the future. Yes, one of them was our very own Frank Reiser.
?? people, ?? hours, R38.

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