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FROM THE EDITORS

CASIE

Computer-Aided Search Information Exchange by David Lovelock, 749-5232 email: dsl@math.arizona.edu

A website dedicated to the software program CASIE is available at. http://www.math.arizona.edu/~dsl/casie/casie.htm It also has, on-line, the article on Desert Searches: <u>The Effectiveness of Helicopters</u>, that SARA and SARCI took part in (in 1981!).

Also, does anyone in SARCI have a photo of John Bownds on a rescue mission which I could put up on the CASIE website? (I can scan, and touch the photo up, if necessary.)

SEARCH AND RESCUE COUNCIL

CORRECTION:

In the September newsletter, the SARCI board minutes stated that Pine Pig was delinquent in payment for their newsletter ad. As it turns out, Pine Pig is paid through March of this year. Bob - Please accept my apology for this error.

> Joe Barr, SARCI Secretary.

SPRING HAM CLASS

Melody Kehl KG7XH will provide a ham class beginning Thursday February 25, from 7 to 8:30pm. Call her: 885-6362

PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

by Jerry Simmons, 293-2300

POSSE CALENDAR

Posse Board & General Meeting19:00Thu. Feb 11Sheriff Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy

NOTE that the Board and General Meetings are combined this month, since the Rodeo will be running on the day of the usual General Meeting.

TUCSON COMPOSITE SQUADRON, C.A.P.

by Wendy Webster, 744-0325

The Tucson Composite Squadron, CAP, recently held the latest in a series of SAR Academies. This Academy was conducted over a weekend at locations on both Mt. Lemmon and in Tucson.

Saturday, students studied many phases of SAR including Basics of Search and ICS, Legal Issues and Helicopter Operations as well as practical classes in topics such as knot tying. Sunday was devoted to locating an ELT, first aid, and victim extraction.

The Squadron has also prepared two kits of SAR equipment for use by ground teams on missions. These kits are to be kept stocked and in good order at all times so that they are ready for use whenever the unit is called out. The kits will be tested at upcoming CAP SAR exercises. Modifications to the contents, as well as accompanying checklists, will be made as needed.

Members of Neotoma Composite Squadron, CAP, recently participated in a Search and Rescue exercise in Sierra Vista, Arizona. Civil Air Patrol ground teams were present, 2 of which were from Neotoma Squadron. Ground team scenarios included missing persons search, Emergency Locator Transmitter search, damage assessment, and air-to-ground coordination. Ground Team Leader Trainees Capt. Michael Barker and 2Lt Cynthia Runkel completed their training under LtCols Laura Markiewicz and Robert McCord to become qualified Ground Team Leaders. Neotoma personnel also participated as Mission Base staff in Communications, Safety, and Public Affairs capacities.

Other NCS personnel participating were: LtCol Wendy Webster and Cadets Daniel Barker, Jeremy Reynolds, Joshua Runkel, Jonathan Purdy, and Bryan Kelsey.

PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

by Doug Myrvold

DIVER'S CALENDAR

February Training: Basic Training09:00Sun Feb 14Ft. Lowell Pool. This is a required training.

Basic search patterns and techniques will be discussed and demonstrated, as well as associated rigging and knots.

March meeting will be at Kunz'z to work on the boat.

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Pam Phillips, 325-4338

SRDI CALENDAR				
TBA	Sat, Feb 06			
19:00-22:00	Wed, Feb 10			
Sheriff Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy				
TBA	Sun, Feb 21			
	<u>TBA</u> <u>19:00-22:00</u> /erde and Cata			

SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSN.

SARA CALENDAR

SARA General Meeting	19:30	Fri Feb 05		
Program: Snow Survival & Avalanche Awareness				
February Training: Snow Practice	08:30	Sun Feb 07		
Bear Wallow, Santa Catalina Mountains				
SARA Board Meeting	<u>19:30</u>	Thu Feb 25		
U of A Farms (mobile classroom, south of bleachers)				
SARA General Meeting	<u>19:30</u>	Fri Mar 05		
Program: TBA				
Family Hike	TBA	Sat Mar 06		
Location and Meeting place TBA				
March Training: Tanque Verde Falls	TBA	Sat Mar 20		

Circle-K, Tanque Verde and Tanque Verde Loop

FEBRUARY TRAINING Snow Practice

Contact: Andy Lamb, 743-7175

When: 08:30, Sunday, February 07

Where: Bear Wallow Area, Santa Catalina Mountains

Meet: Sheriff Substn 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy

The emphasis of this training will be snow travel, assisting victims back to camp, and winter survival. Bring your snow skis, snow shoes, and/or snow boots. If anyone is interested in spending Saturday night snow camping please let me know.

NOMINATIONS April Elections

The Nominating Committee has presented the initial list of nominees for the elections at the April Annual Meeting. Nominations from the floor may be made at the General Meetings in February and March.

Andy Lamb	Karmin Laramie
Bill Kelleman	Tom Faulkner
Shawn Babbitt	Cathy Wasmann
Wendy Niehaus	Fran Kunz
Josh Poles	

Thanks to the Nominating Committee for this list of nominees: Gary Copus, Shannon Reilly, and Mary Lamb CANDIDATE CORNER

by Andy Lamb, 743-7175

Search and Rescue Orientation <u>18:30-21:00</u> Tue Feb 16 Rincon Room, Alamo Building, Tucson Medical Center

Candidate Hike08:00Sat Feb 20Location: Ventana Canyon

The next opportunity to join SARA starts with the Orientation on February 16th. The mandatory Candidate Hike will be Saturday, February 20th. The Spring OEC class will start on Tuesday, March 2nd.

Currently we are planning on only having one Candidate class each year and only one OEC class each year. This means after the Spring '99 class the next opportunity to join SARA will be in the Spring of the year 2000.

MRA Annual Meeting

by Andy Lamb, 743-7175 email: amlamb@compuserve.com The 1999 MRA Annual Meeting will be hosted by SARA, on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 18, 19, and 20 1999

The theme of the meeting is Wilderness Medicine. Friday's program will consist of presentations and hands-on training in a workshop environment. Outdoor activities are planned for the Saturday field training.

The meeting will be held at the Whispering Pines Girl Scout Camp located at 8,000 feet elevation in the Santa Catalina Mountains north of Tucson. All activities will be held at or near the camp.

Climbing, caving, and other activities are being planned prior to and after the meeting. Details will be available later.

Registration forms are available from Andy Lamb. The \$40 (\$65 after May 15) fee includes presentations, field exercise, T-shirt, annual banquet, and meeting packet. Meal packages are available for \$40 (Fri,Sat,Sun), \$30 (Sat,Sun), \$15 (banquet only, for those not attending the meeting). Extra T-shirts are available for \$15. Everyone is expected to register, other than staff.

People who would like to help with organizing and running the meeting call Rich Kunz, 886-2216.

CALLOUT REVIEWS

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

Data Summary

Reporting Period: SARCI People: 89		Callouts: 6 Hours/Person: 3.5
		Calls/Week: 1.5
Reporting Period:	01 Jan – 25 Jan	Callouts: 6
SARCI People: 89	Total Hours: 310	Hours/Person: 1.5

FRI 01 JAN CALL 99.001 A ?? year old male needed help getting back on trail above the Phone Line Trail at the end of the road in Sabino Canyon. The subject had tried to make a loop starting up Bear Canyon and coming back Sabino. He hiked over the ridge north of Thimble Peak when he was caught by nightfall. Having no lights he yelled for help and someone at the end of the road heard and reported it. Deputy Jess arrived, determined that more people were needed, then started to climb up to the subject. Shortly other teams were in the field. Jess made it to the subject, found that he was OK and started down with him, joining the other teams on the way. 15 people, 41 hours

SUN 03 JAN CALL 99.002 Two 18 year old male hikers were reported overdue on a hike up Ventana Canyon. The two made it back to the trailhead as teams were gathering. 8 people, 8 hours

TUE 12 JAN CALL 99.003 Search for a 72 year old hiker who called on his cell phone and said he was lost in Tanque Verde Canyon above a dam. The deputies and Ranger 38 looked for him a couple of hours before they decided to call the volunteers. Teams were assigned to a wider search area, and the subject was shortly located by the Posse at the start to the first route into Chivo Falls.

22 people, 54 hours, R38

WED 13 JAN CALL 99.004 Search for a 88 year old male hiker who became separated from his hiking group near Gunsight Pass. The subject was hiking with a group from a Green Valley RV park. He was last seen near Gunsight Pass when he separated from the group by taking another trail back to where they had parked their vehicles. The rest of the group made it back to the vehicle and he did not return, so they reported the subject missing. The deputies and Ranger 38 looked for the subject for a couple of hours before they called for SAR volunteers. Teams were formed at Rosemont Junction and were starting into the field when word was received that the subject had walked out to a residence on the west side.

20 people, 64 hours, R38

MON 18 JAN CALL 99.005 Search for a 43 year old male hiker who was overdue on a hike in Catalina State Park. The subject left for a hike about 1:00 pm and his wife reported him missing when he failed to return for dinner. Teams started into the field going up Romero Trail and checking the mouth of Romero Canyon via the Sutherland Trail. Tracks were found above the second stream crossing above Romero Pools. The first team found campers at Romero Spring who reported

seeing an individual meeting the subject's description shortly before sunset. The team continued up trail and met the subject hiking down the trail. He tried to do the loop up Romero and back Sutherland, underestimating the time required. He spent the night on the Mt. Lemmon Trail above Romero Pass. 13 people, 80 hours

TUE 19 JAN CALL 99.006 Continuation of search for hiker in Catalina State Park. 11 people, 63 hours

SAT 23 JAN CALL 99.007 Divers were called to help TPD with a recovery of a car in the lake at Lakeside Park. A car was reported in the lake by a jogger. The car was apparently stolen and pushed into the lake. The Divers located the car and did a search around the car. Finding nothing they hooked up the tow cable of the tow truck, which eventually pulled the car out of the lake.

?? people, ?? hours (no paperwork submitted, yet)





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P.O.Box 44231, Tucson AZ 85733 Meet 3rd Wed 19:30 (Jan,Apr,Jul,Oct), details inside.

PIMA COUNTY SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

8987-309 E.Tanque Verde, Box 232, Tucson AZ 85749 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

P.O.Box 13961, Tucson AZ 85732 Meet 2nd Sun 09:00, details inside.

TUCSON COMPOSITE SQUADRON 109, C.A.P.

P.O.Box 92593, Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ 85707-2593 Meet each Sun 18:00, Building 3220, DMAFB

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS

P.O.Box 64120, Tucson AZ 85728-4120 Meet 2nd Wed 19:00 Sheriff Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy **SARNEWS** is published monthly by Search and Rescue Council, Inc., a volunteer, non-profit organization. It is distributed free to members of SARCI affiliated groups and other qualified search and rescue organizations.

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